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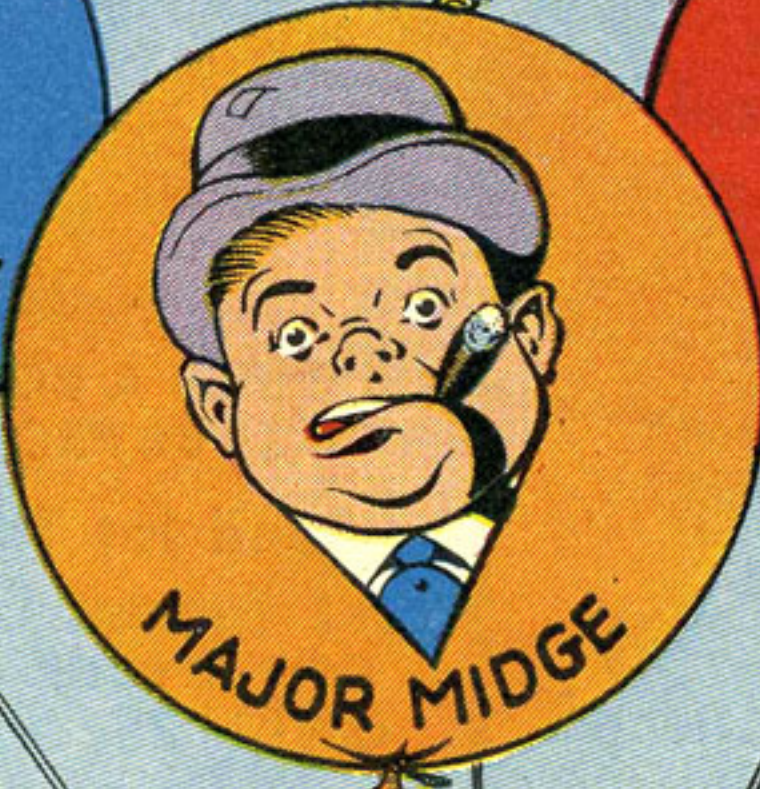
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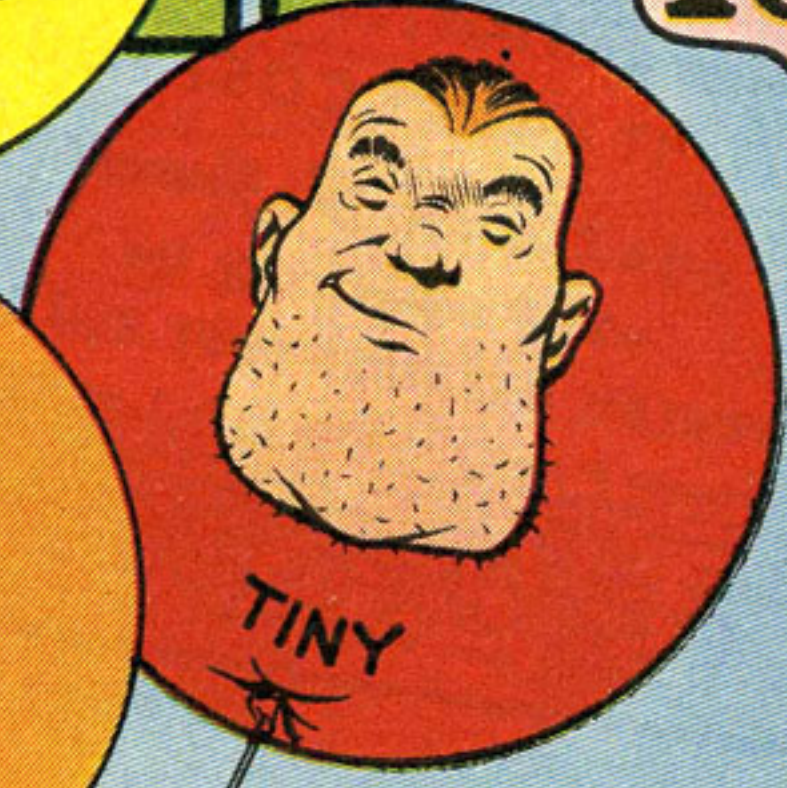
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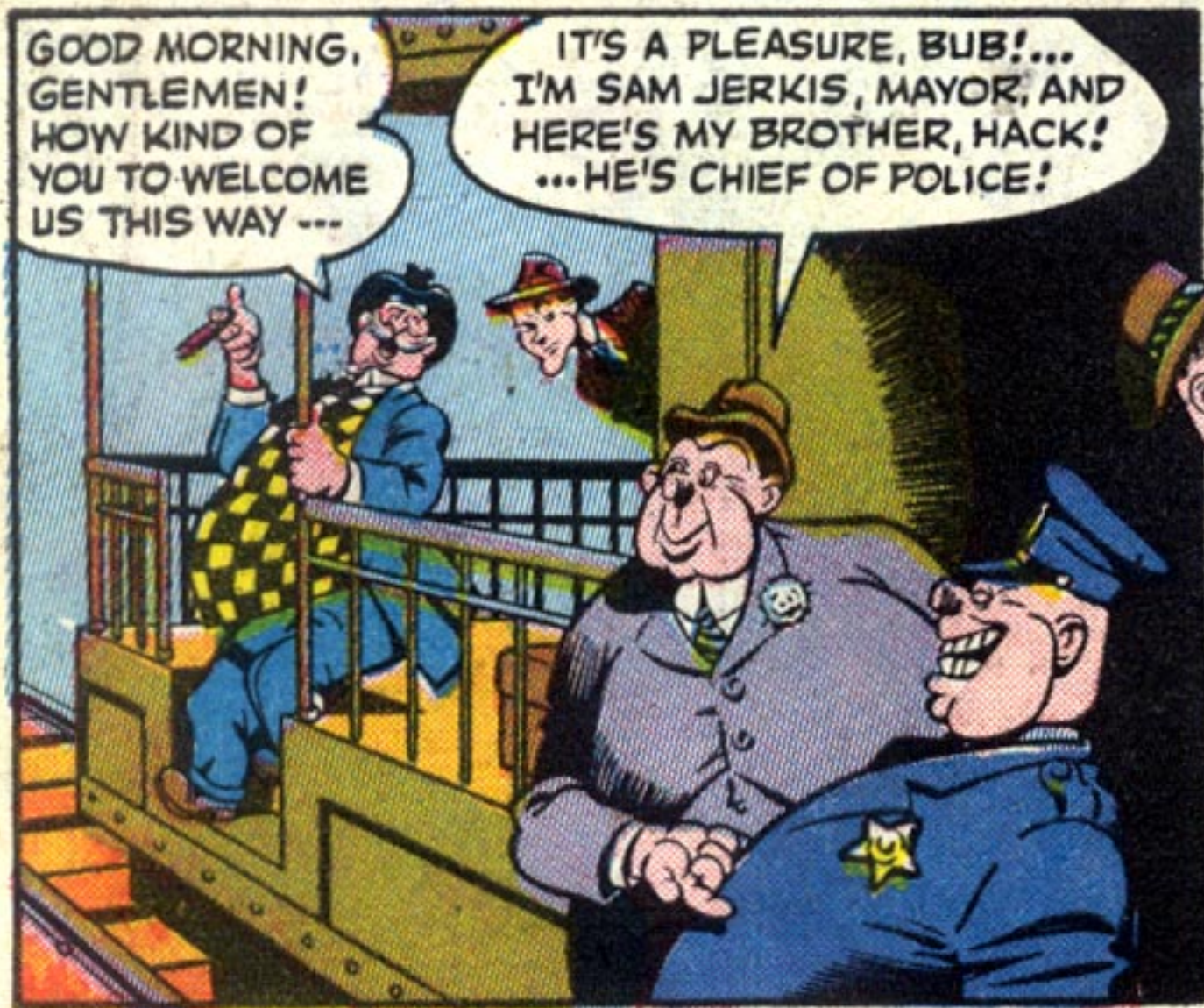
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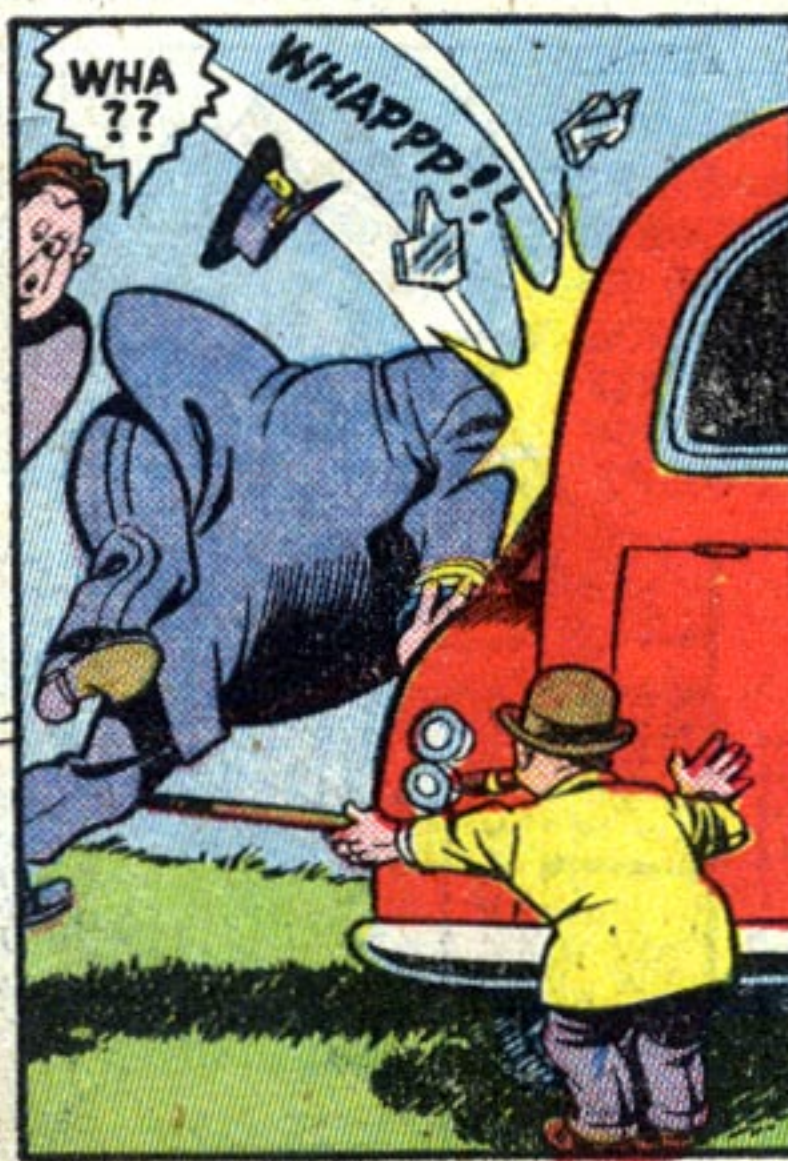
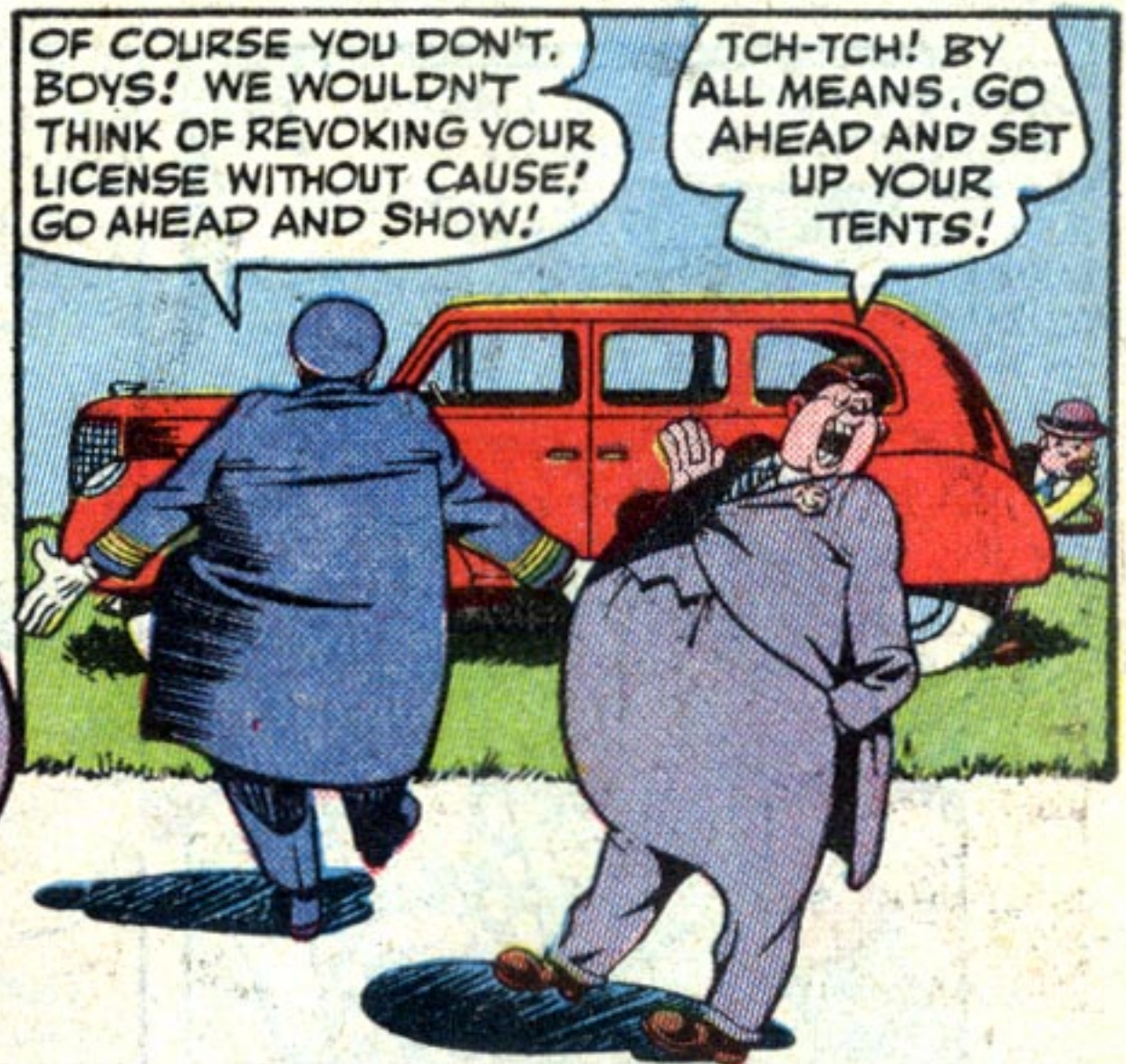
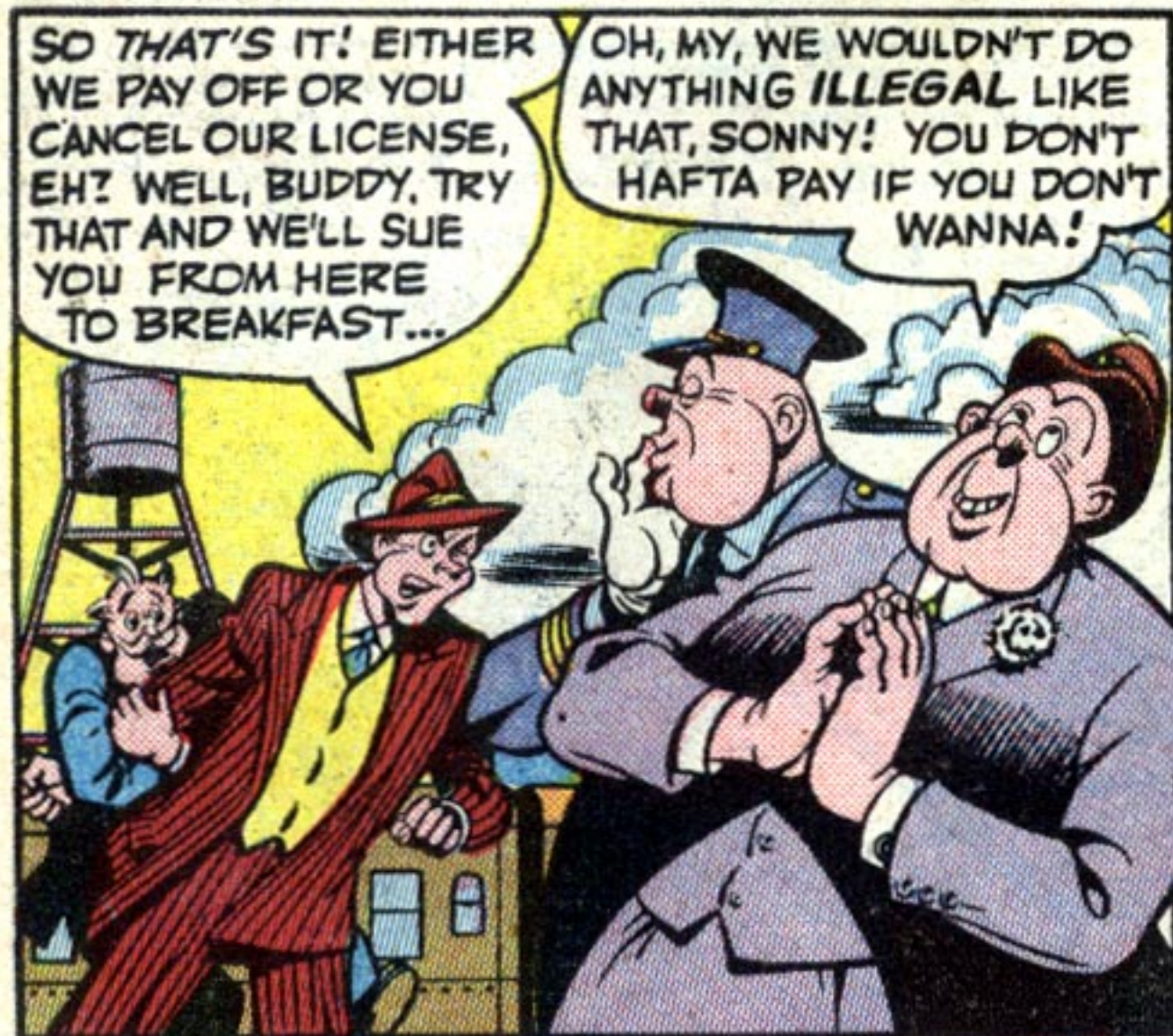
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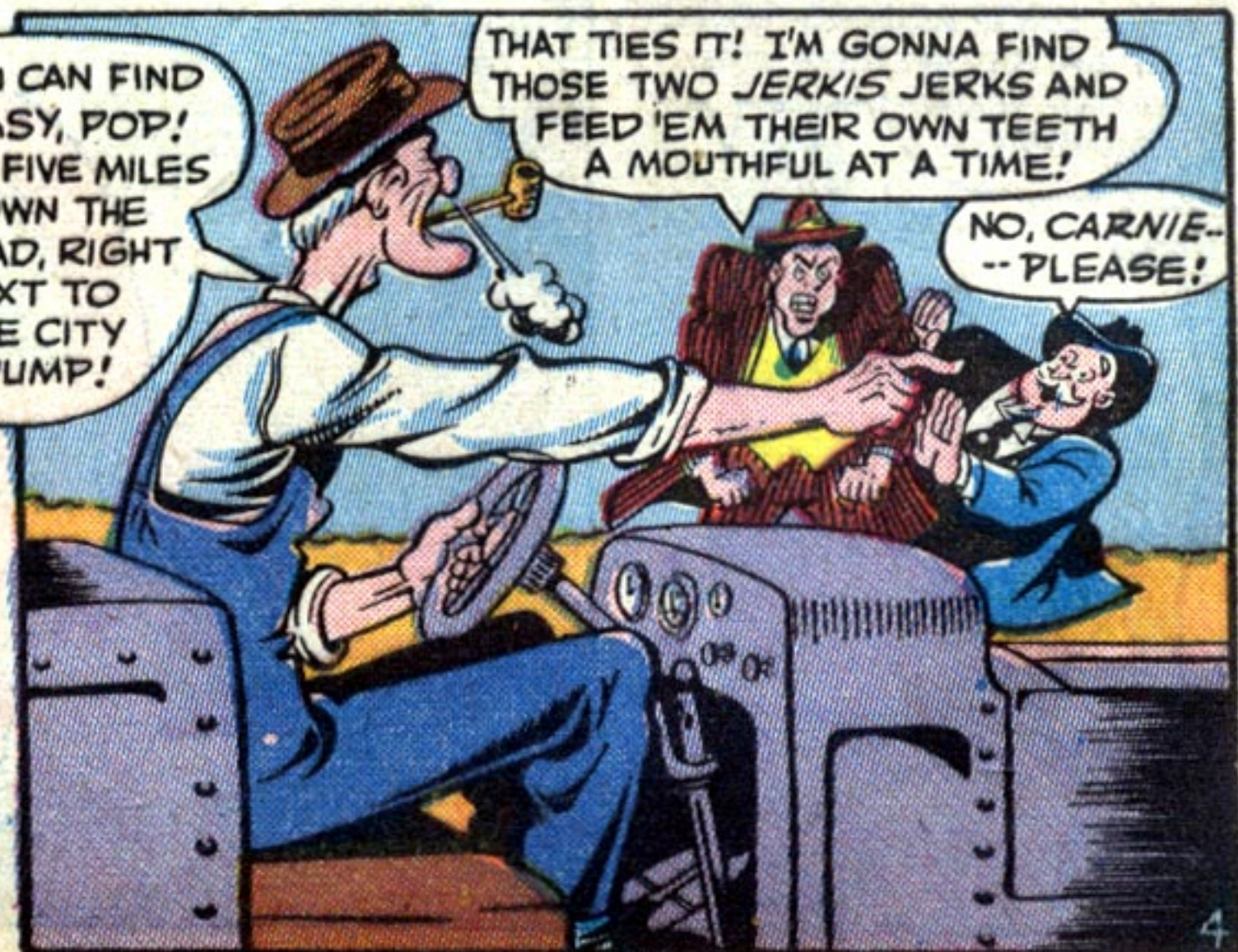
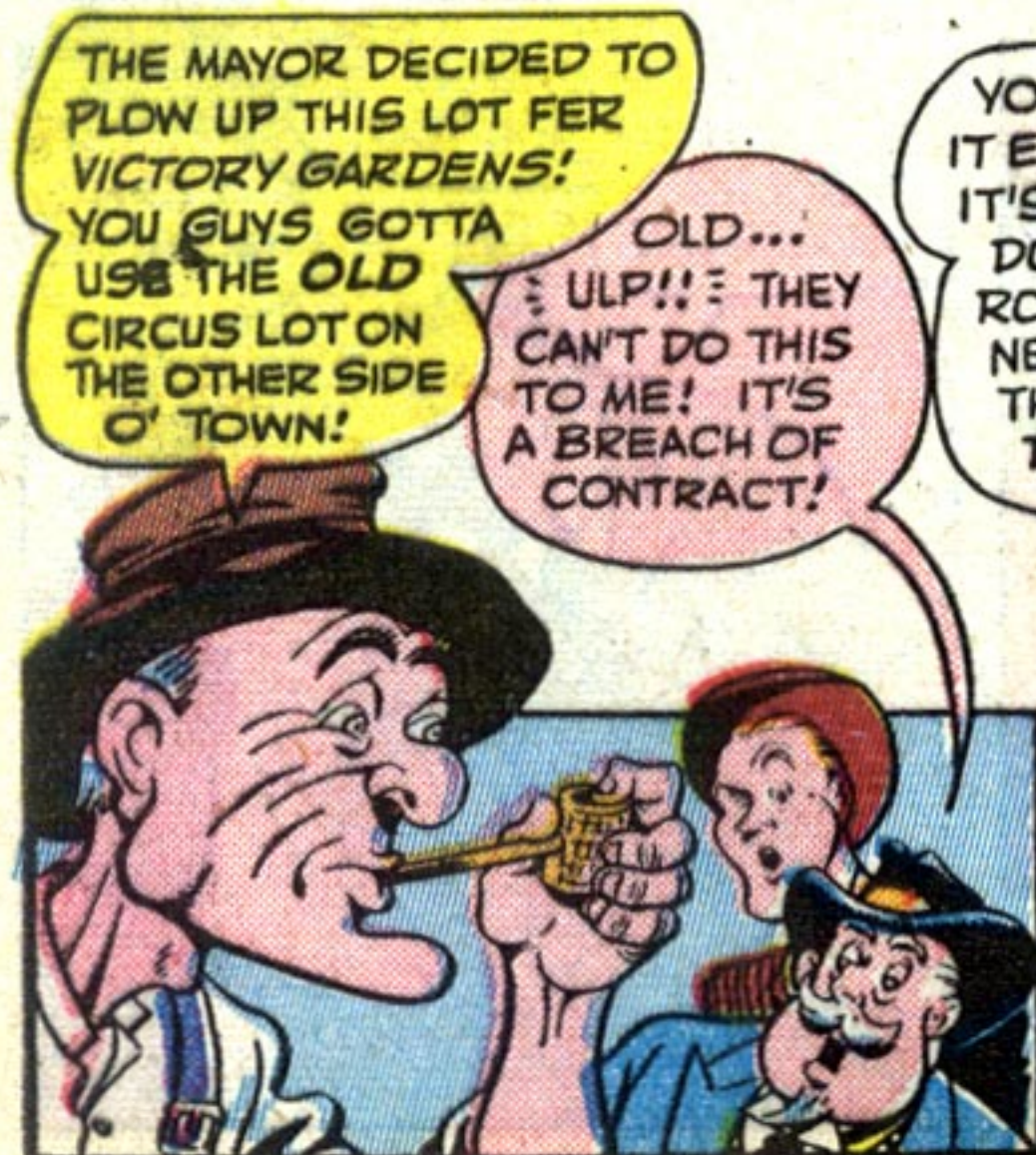
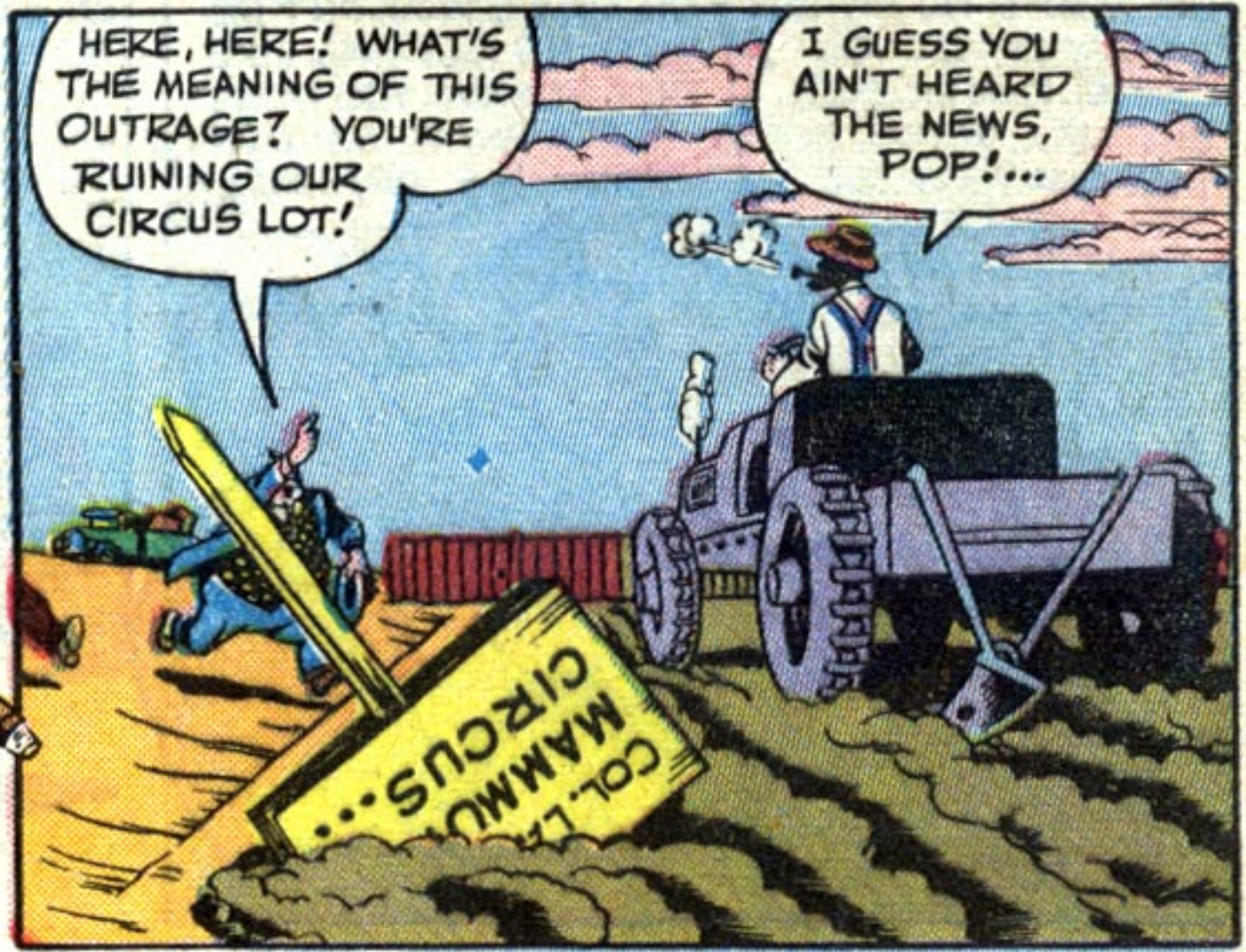
RELAX, MAYOR!
I PROMISE YOU WON'T
FEEL A THING AFTER
SAMSON GIVES YOU
THE ANAESTHETIC!

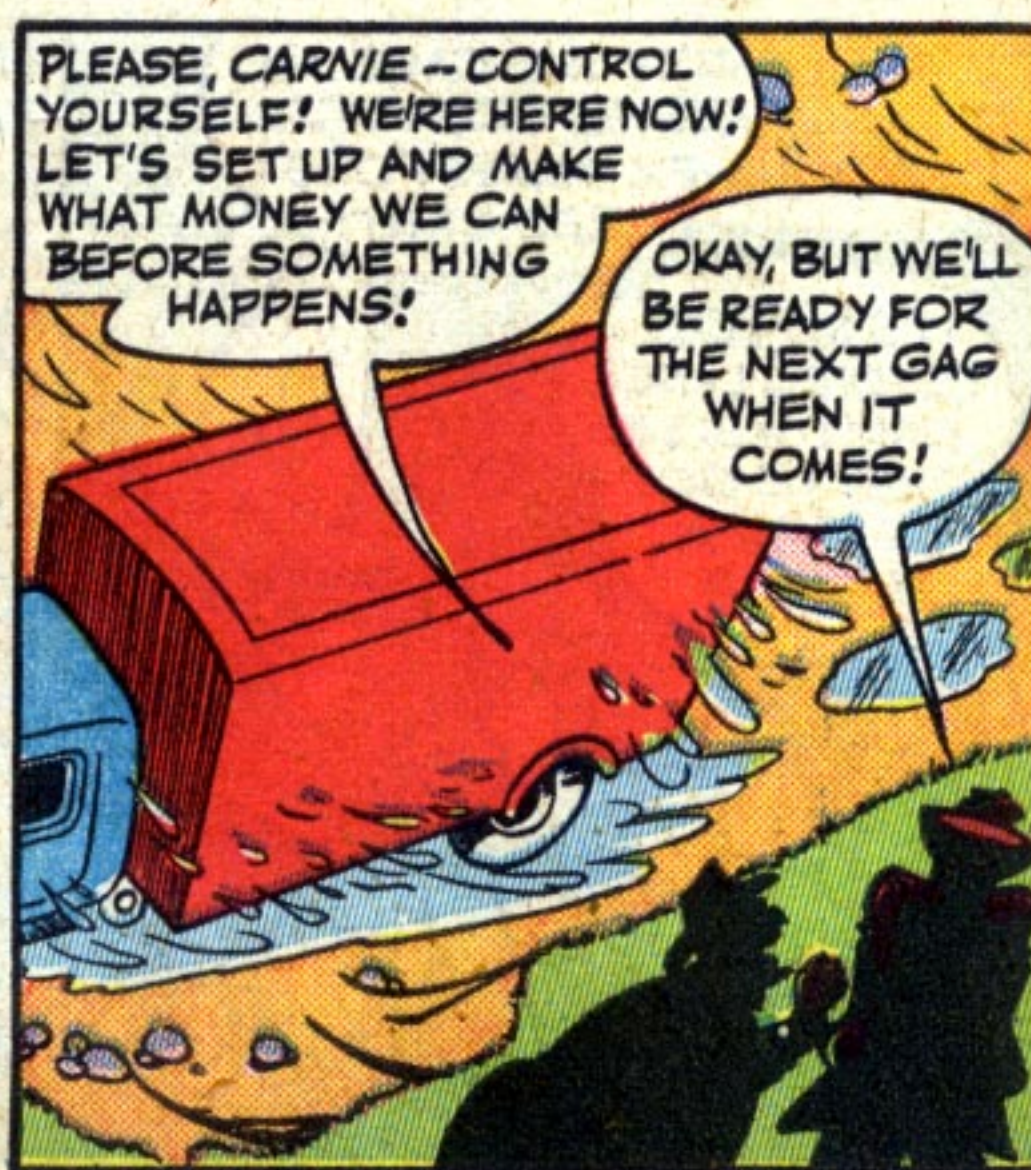
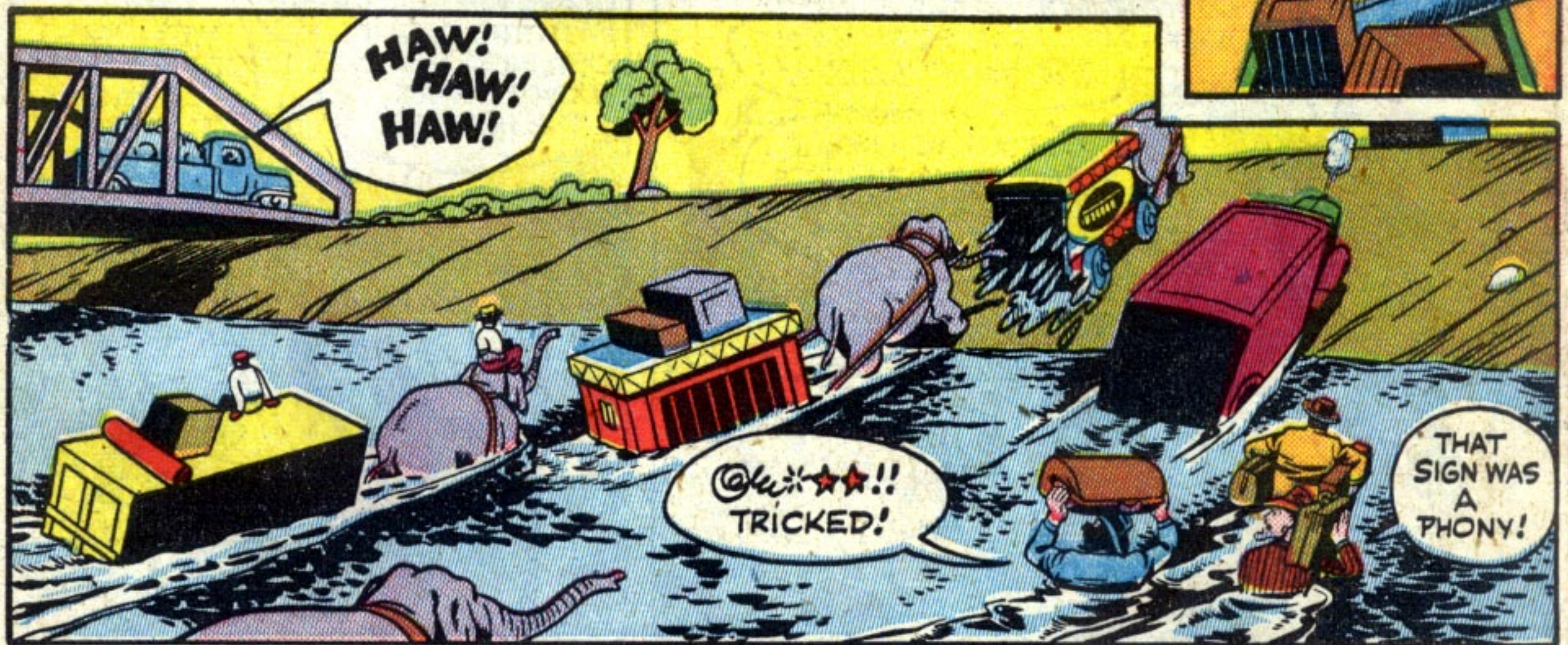
THE JERKIS BROTHERS, Sam and Hack, had a sense of humor that would slay you! In fact, that was the general idea until **Carnie Calahan, The BARKER**, uncorked a joke or two of his own!

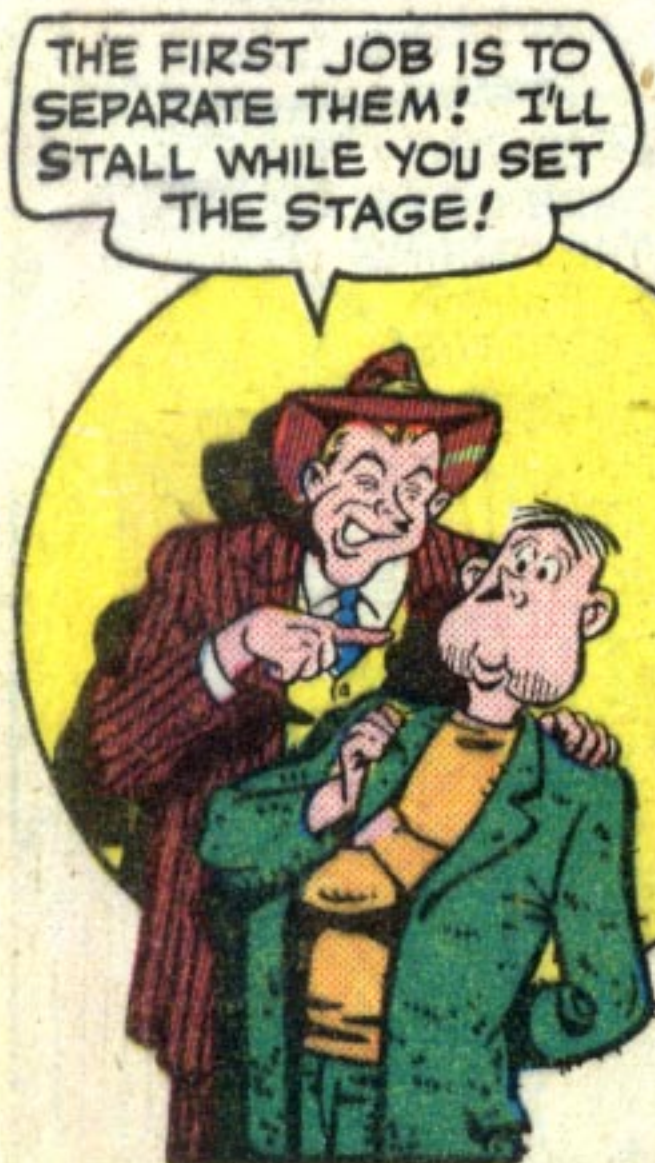
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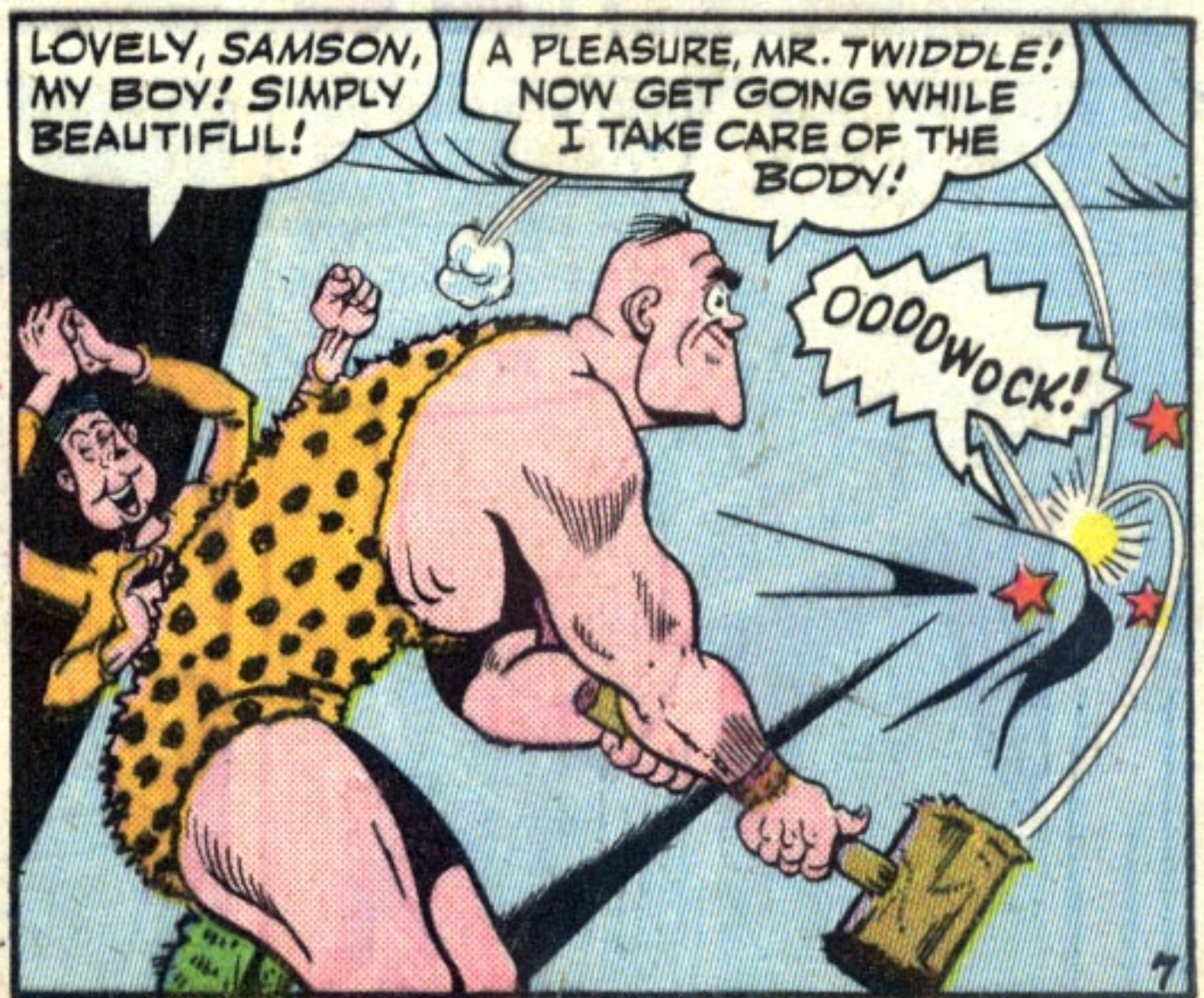
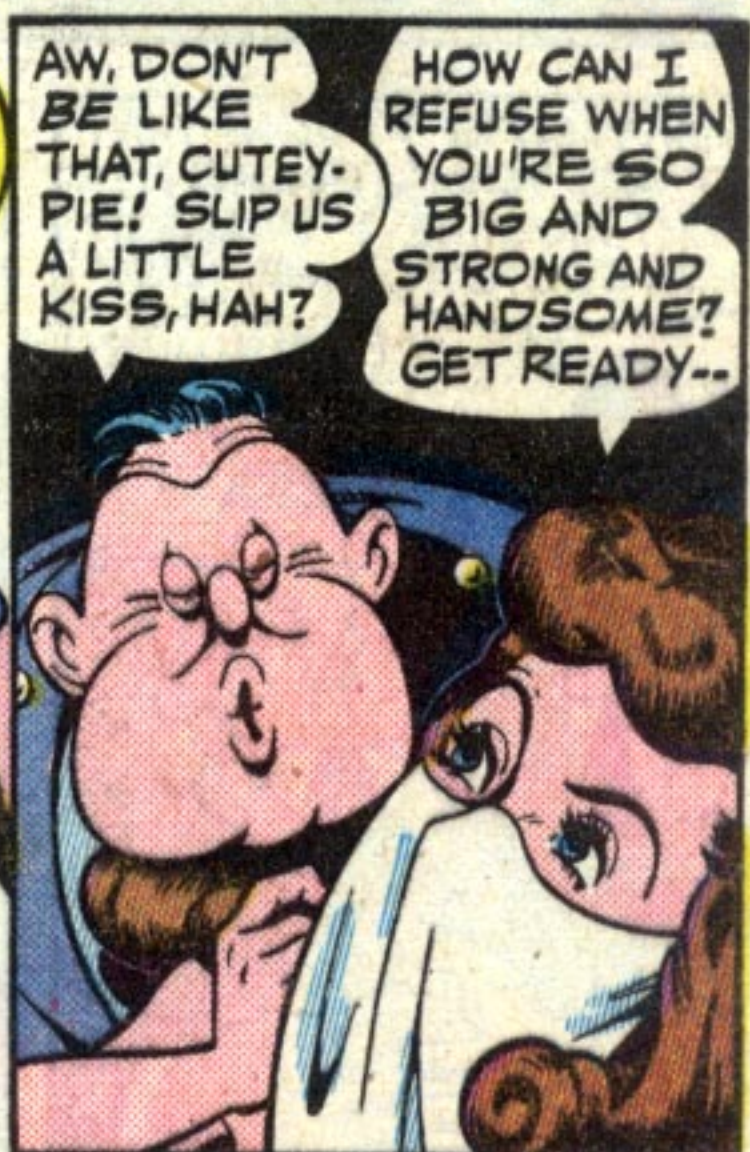
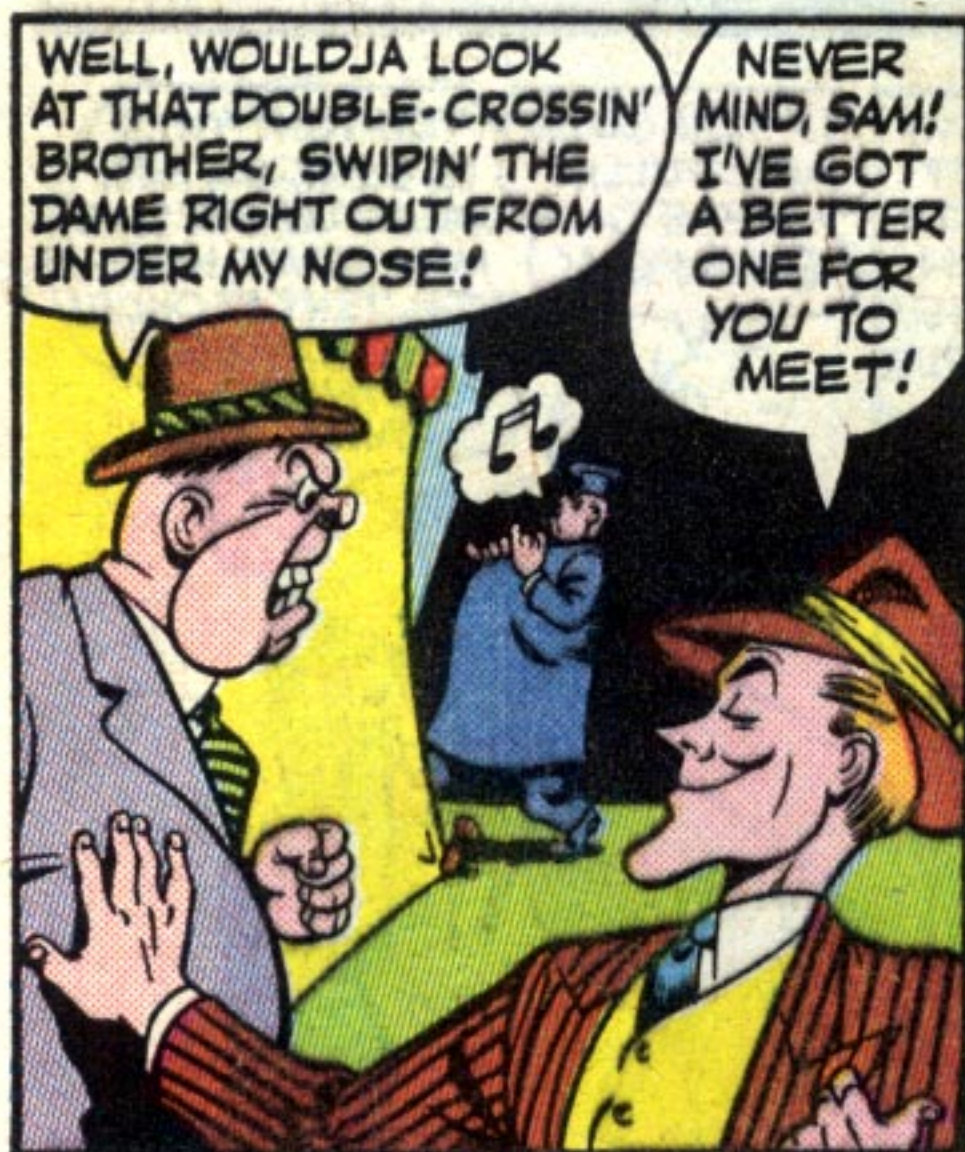
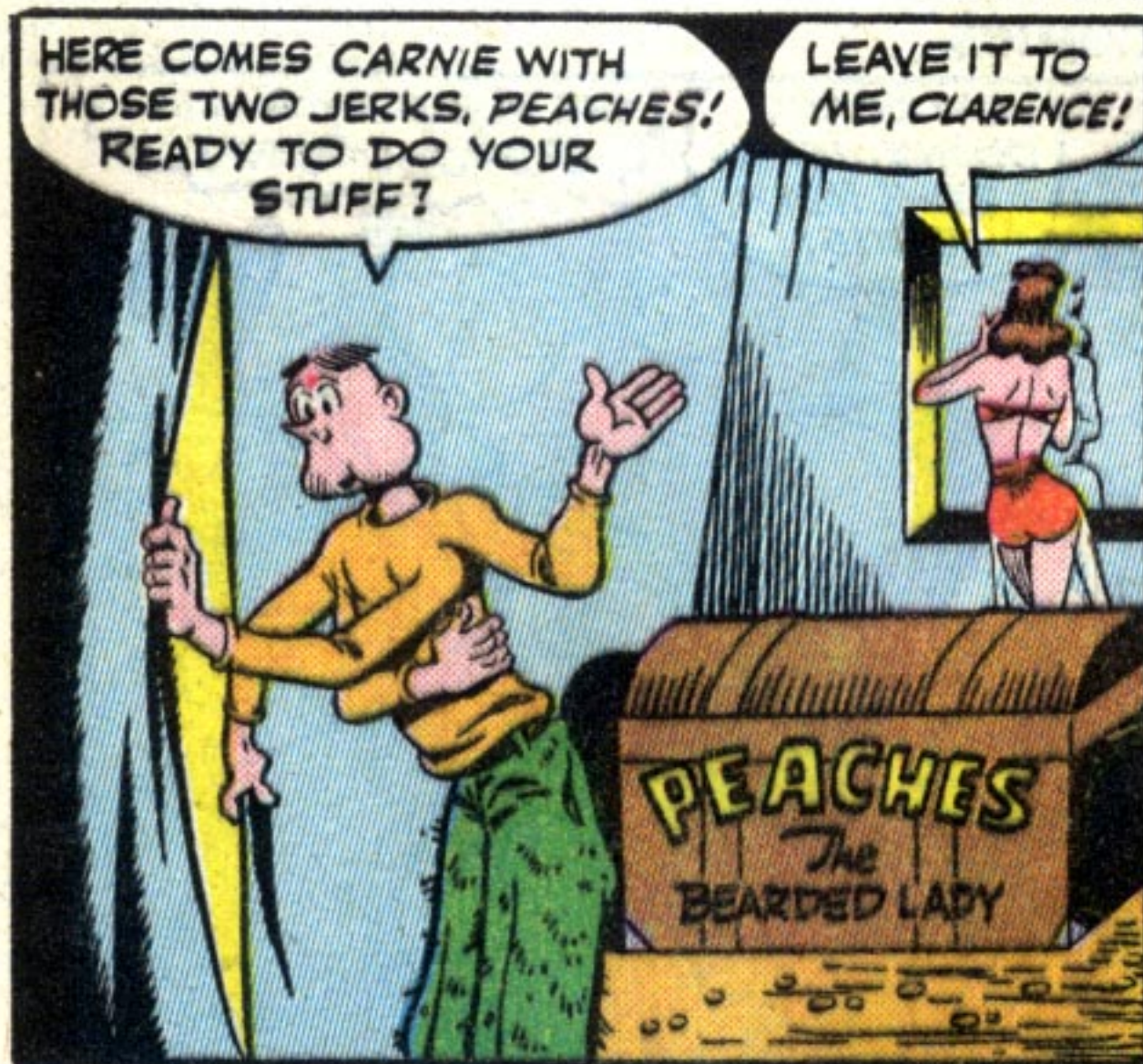


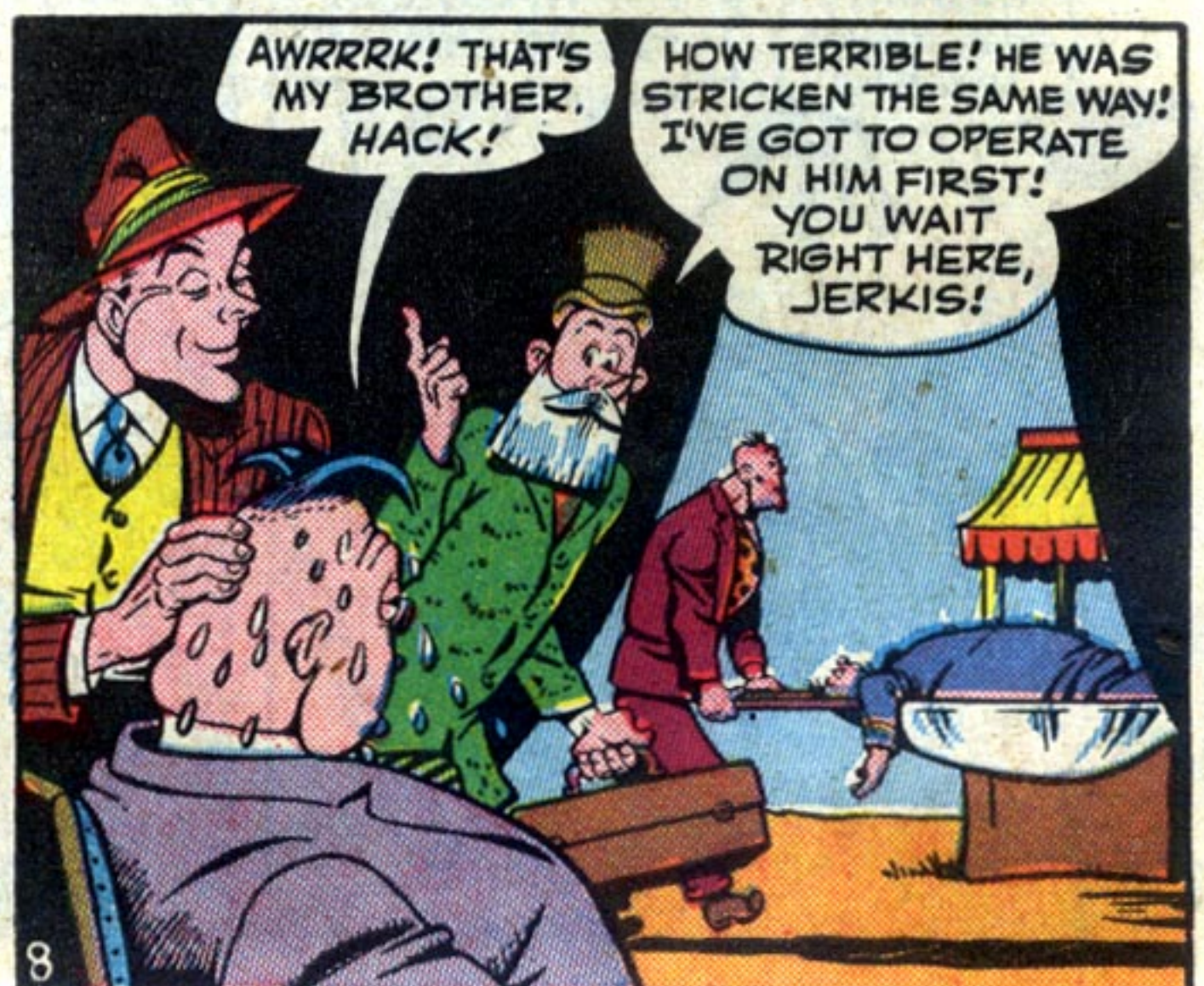
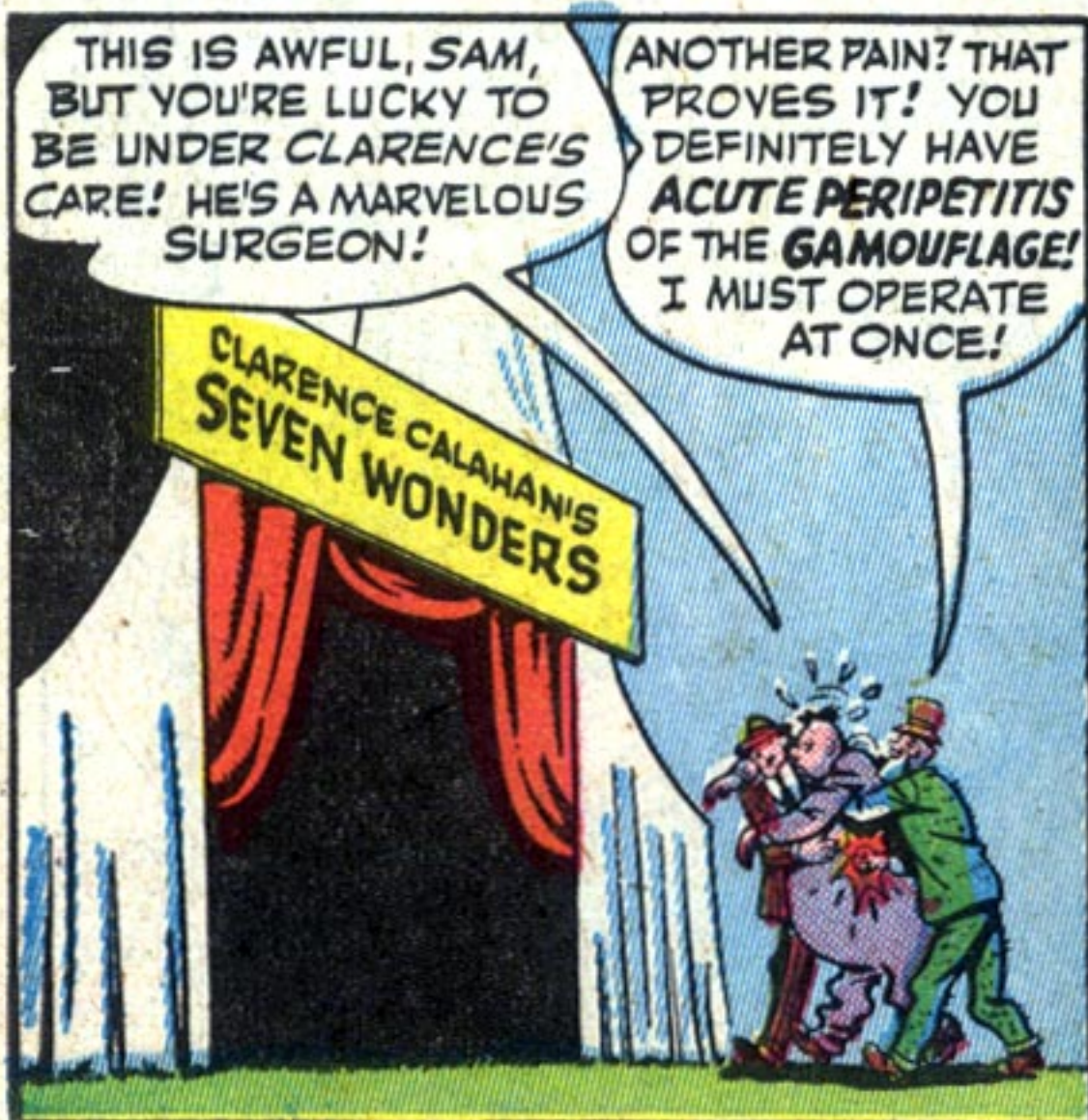




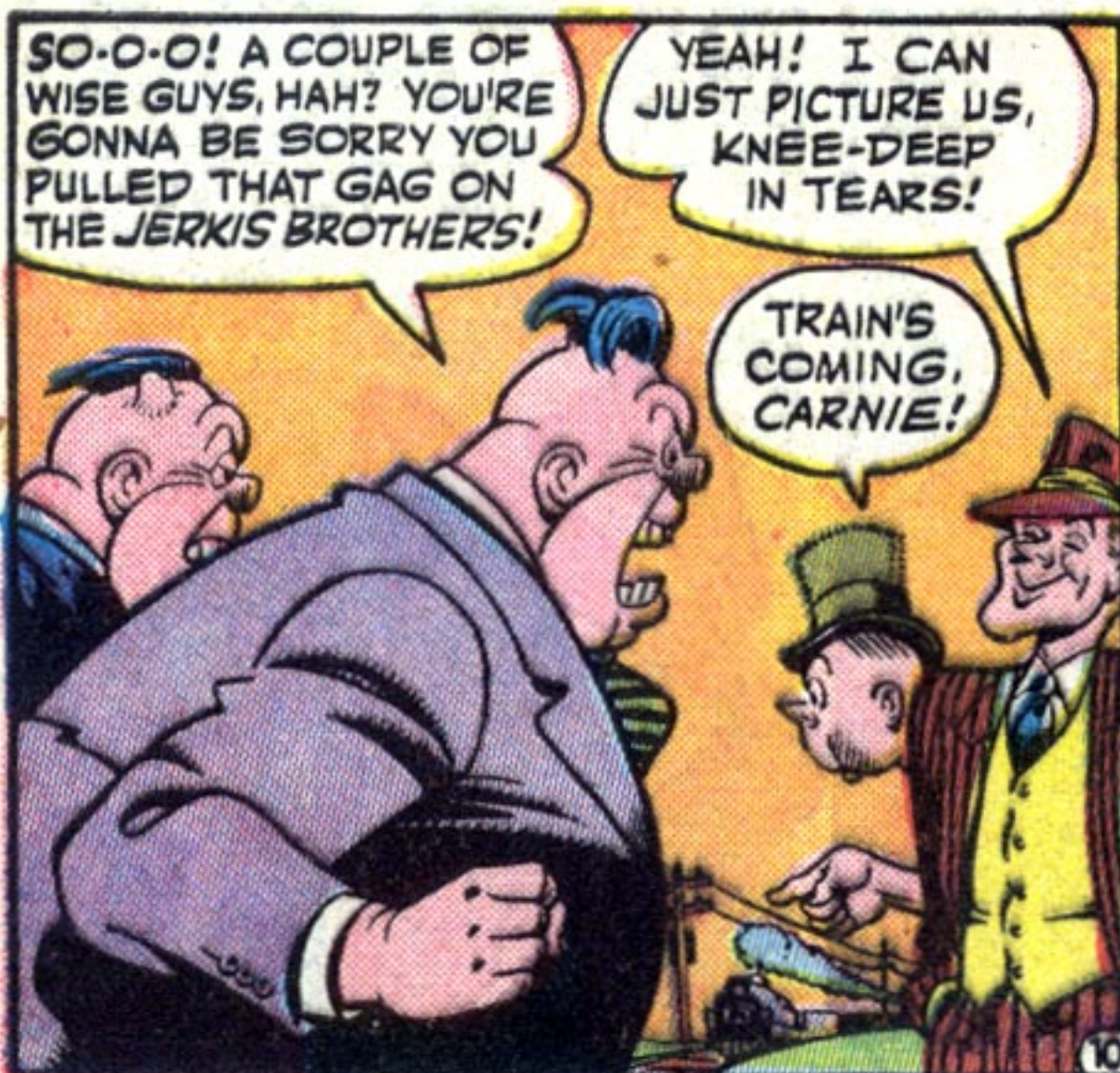
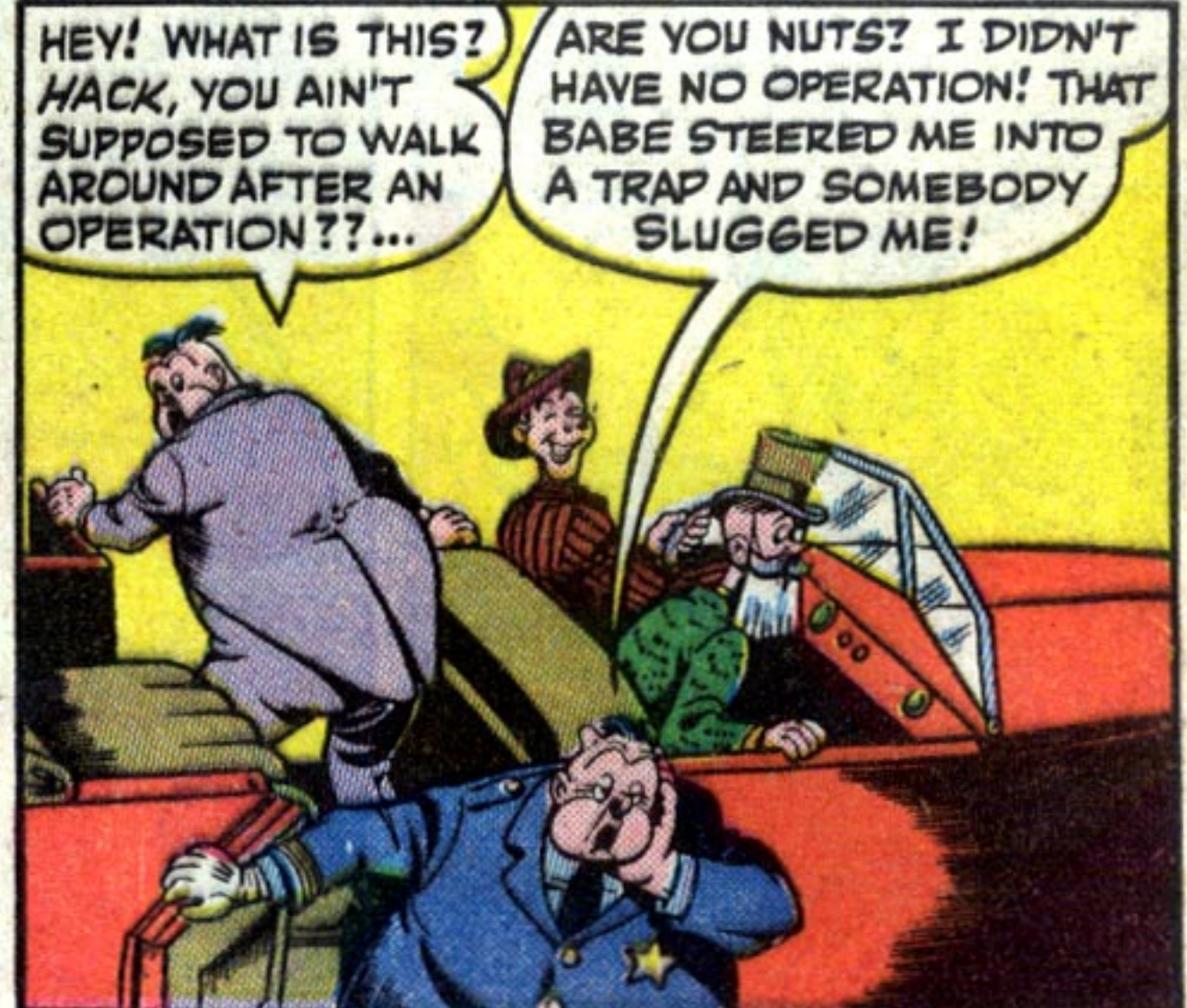
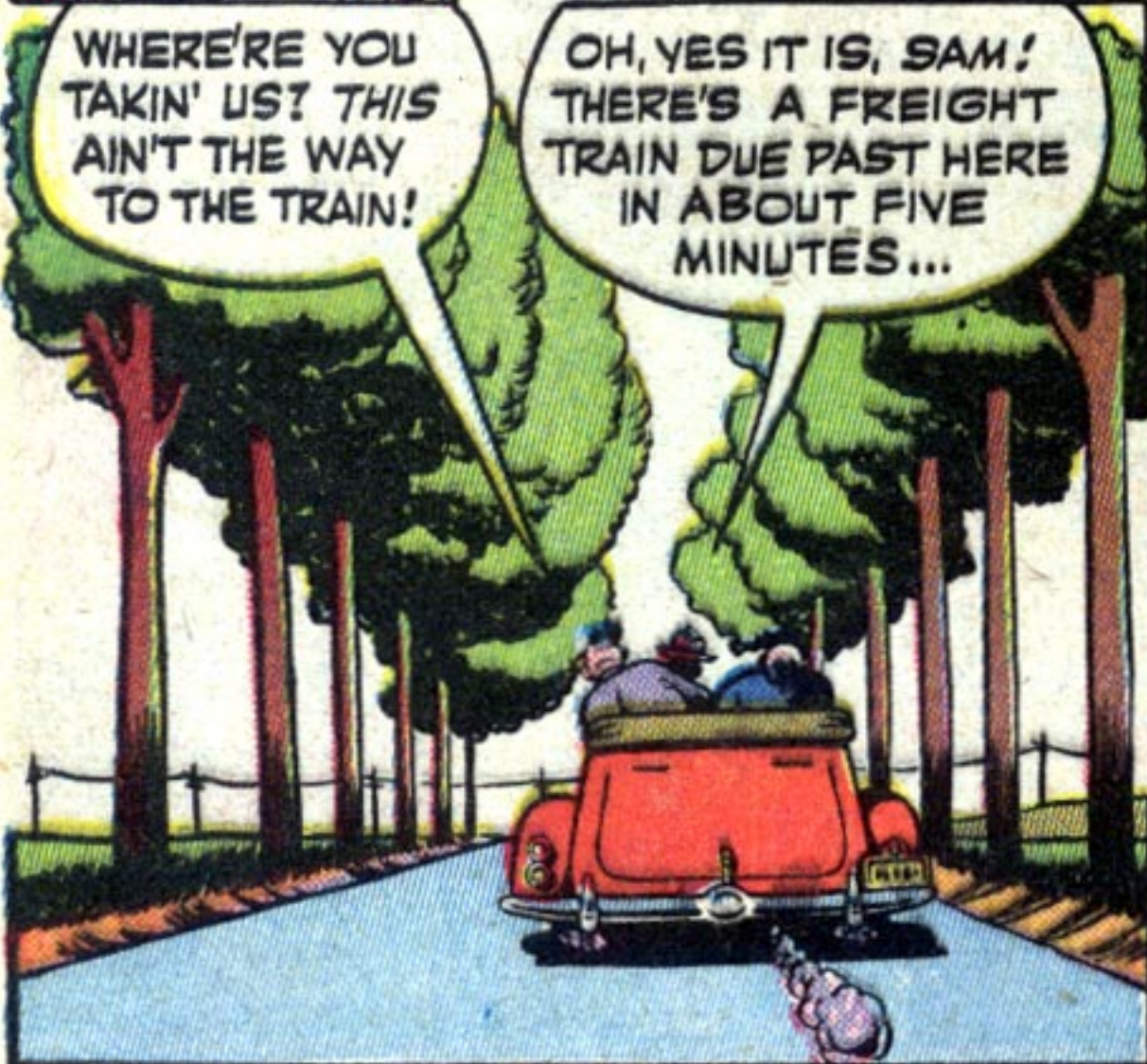
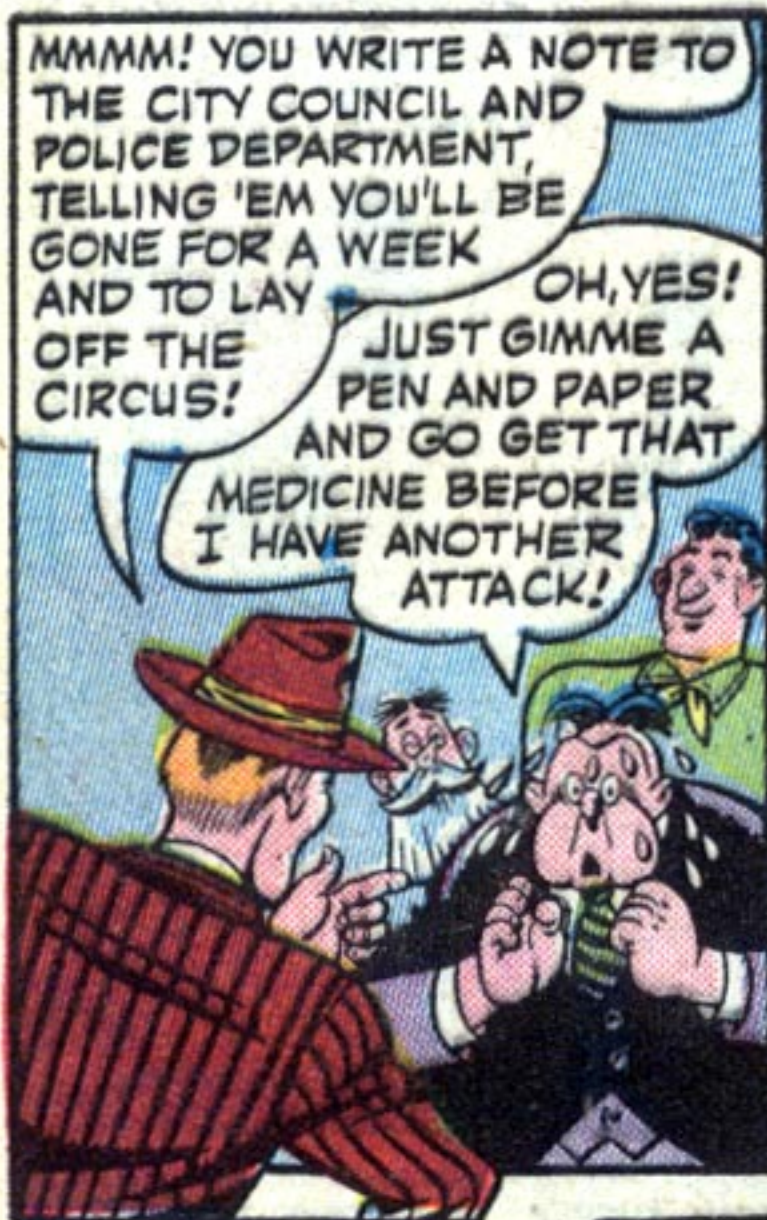


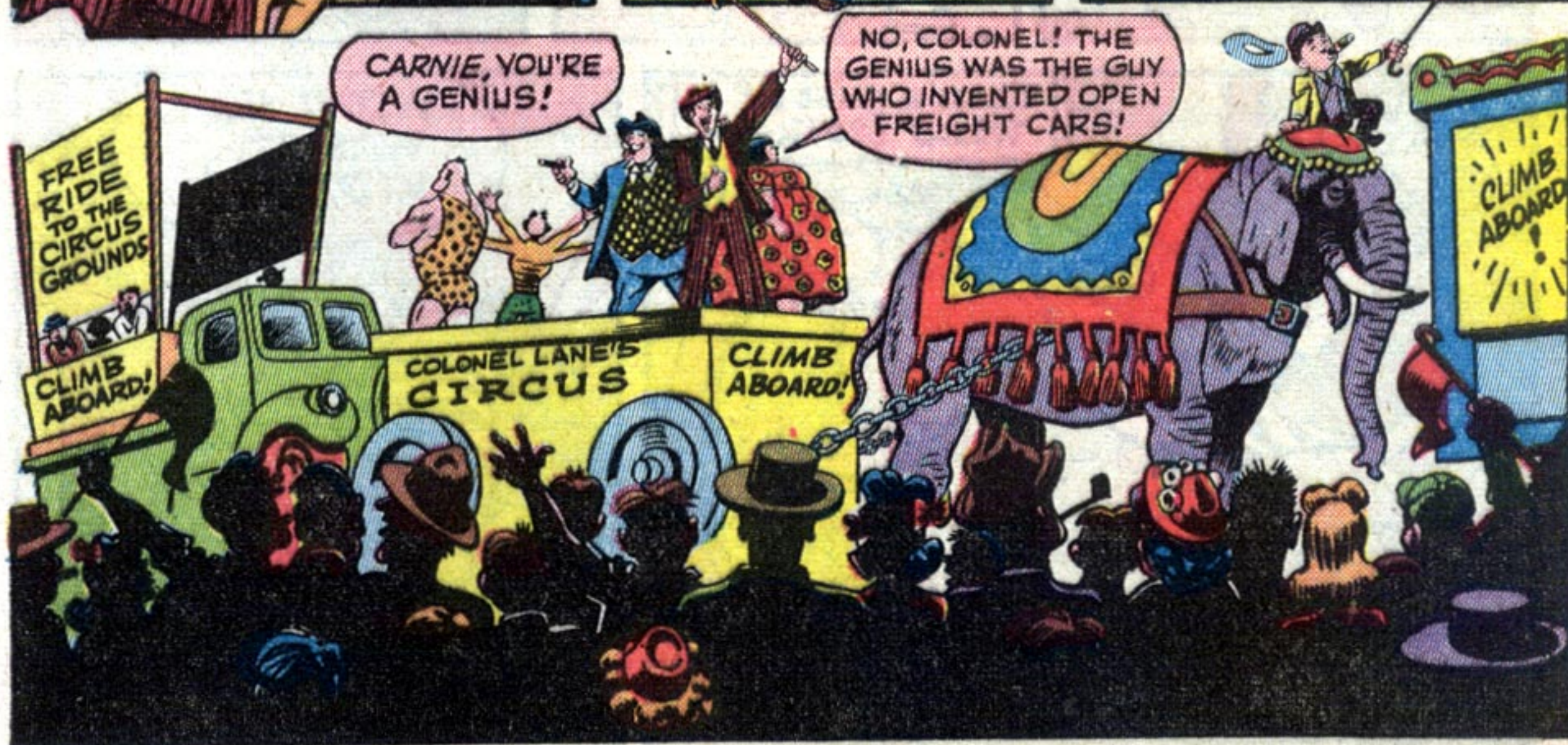
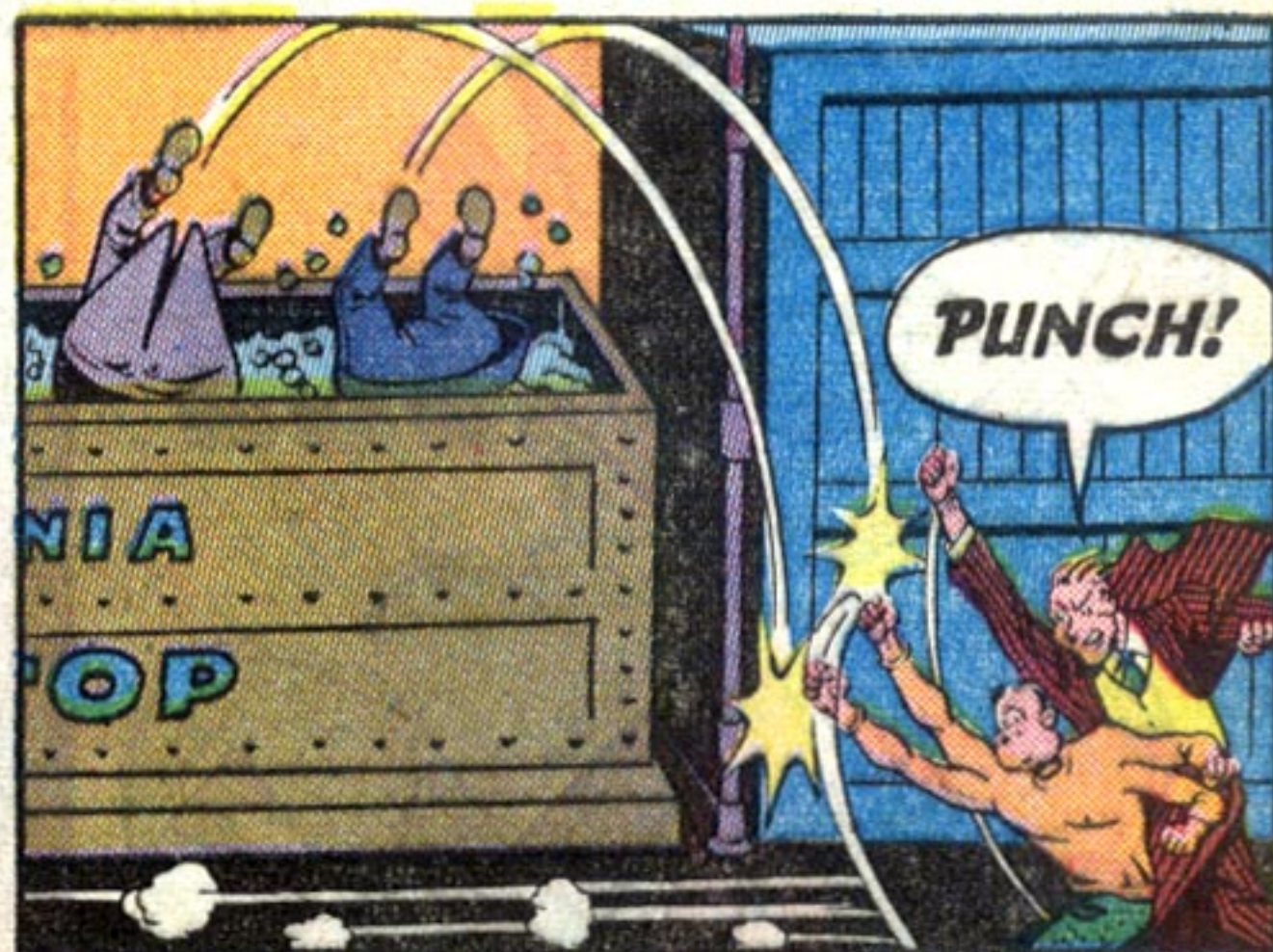


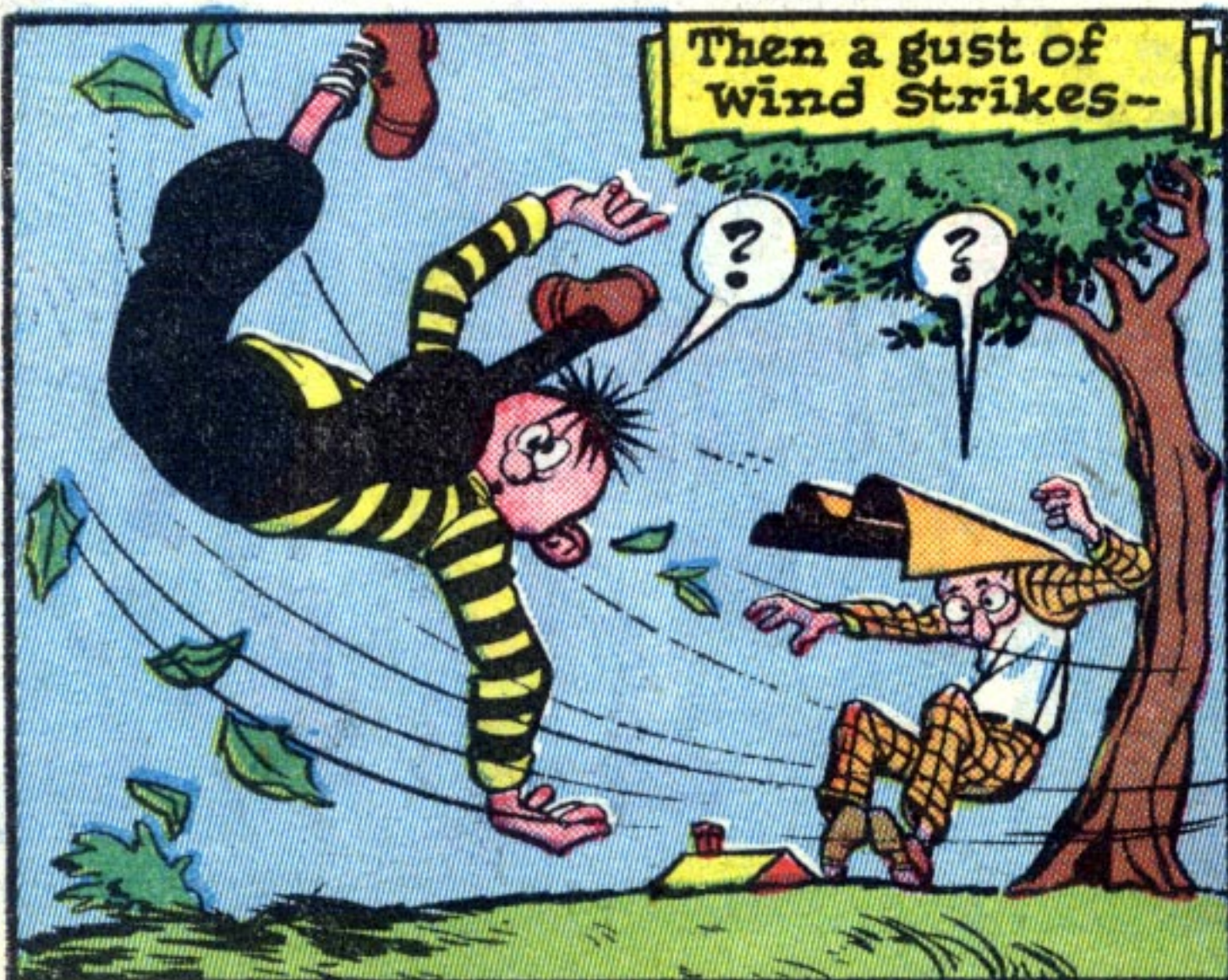
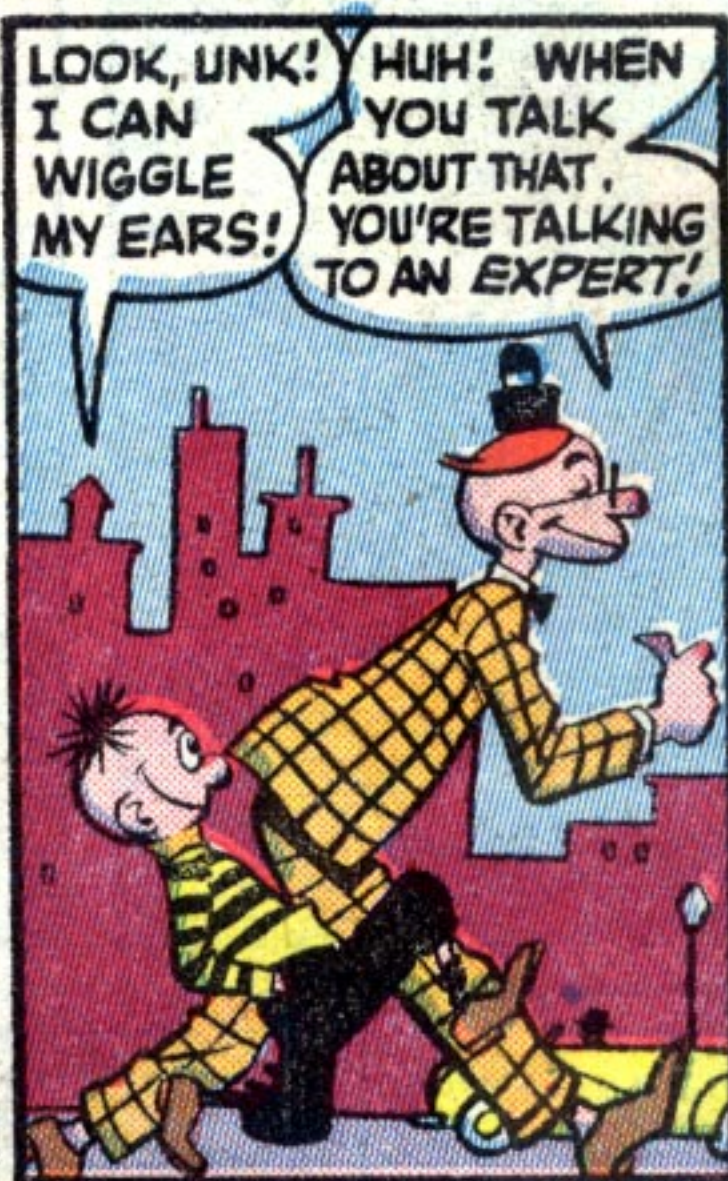










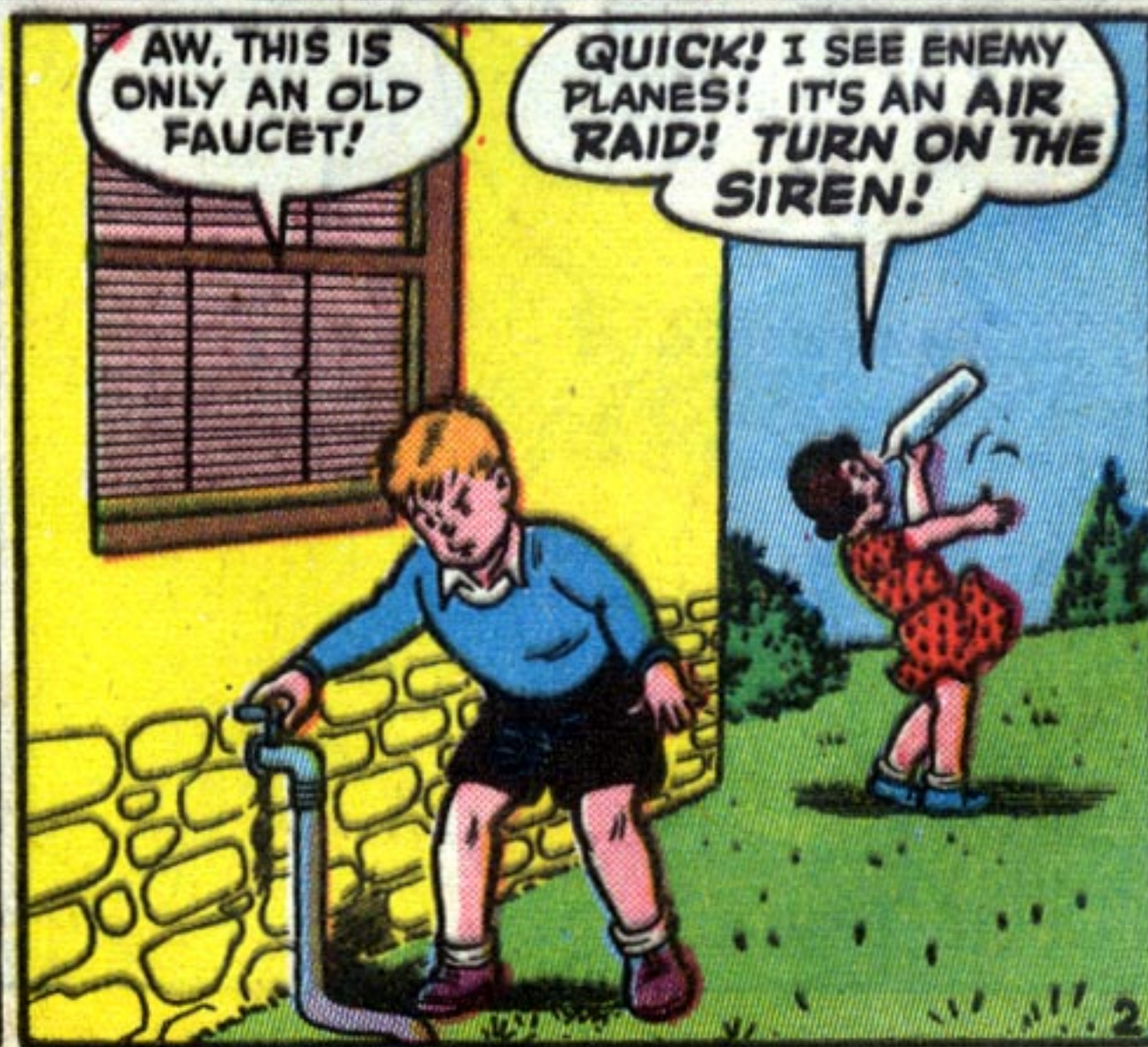
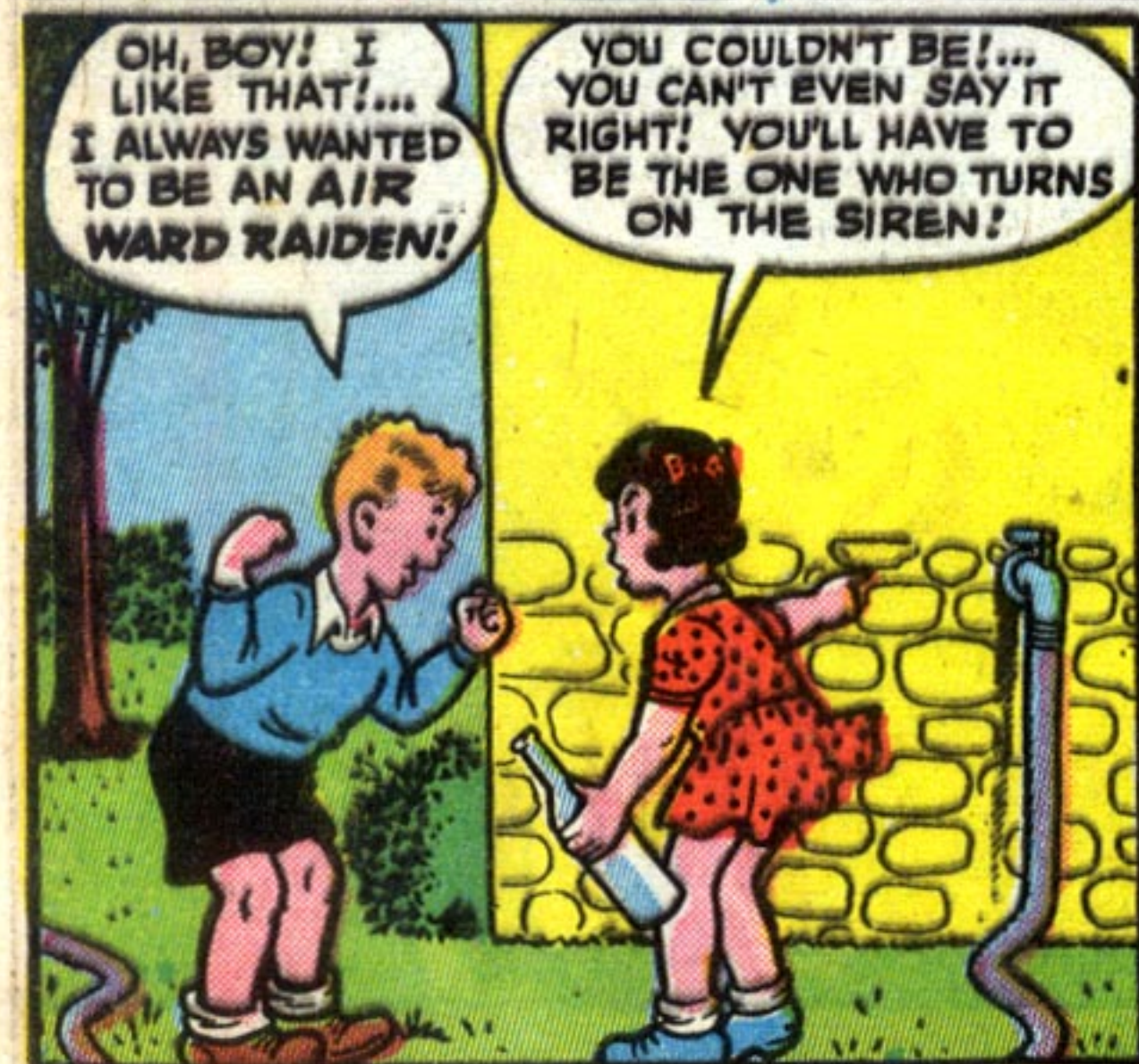


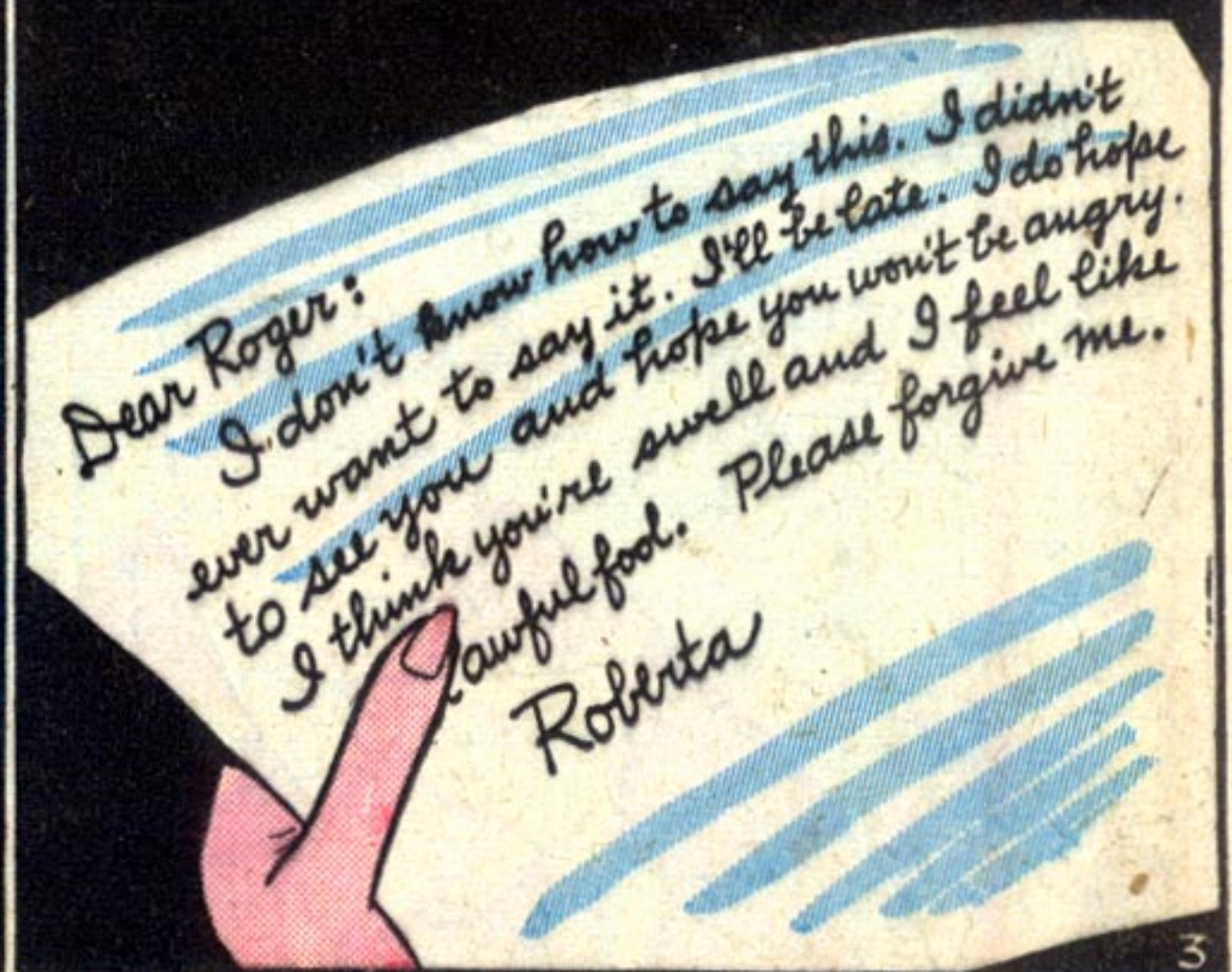
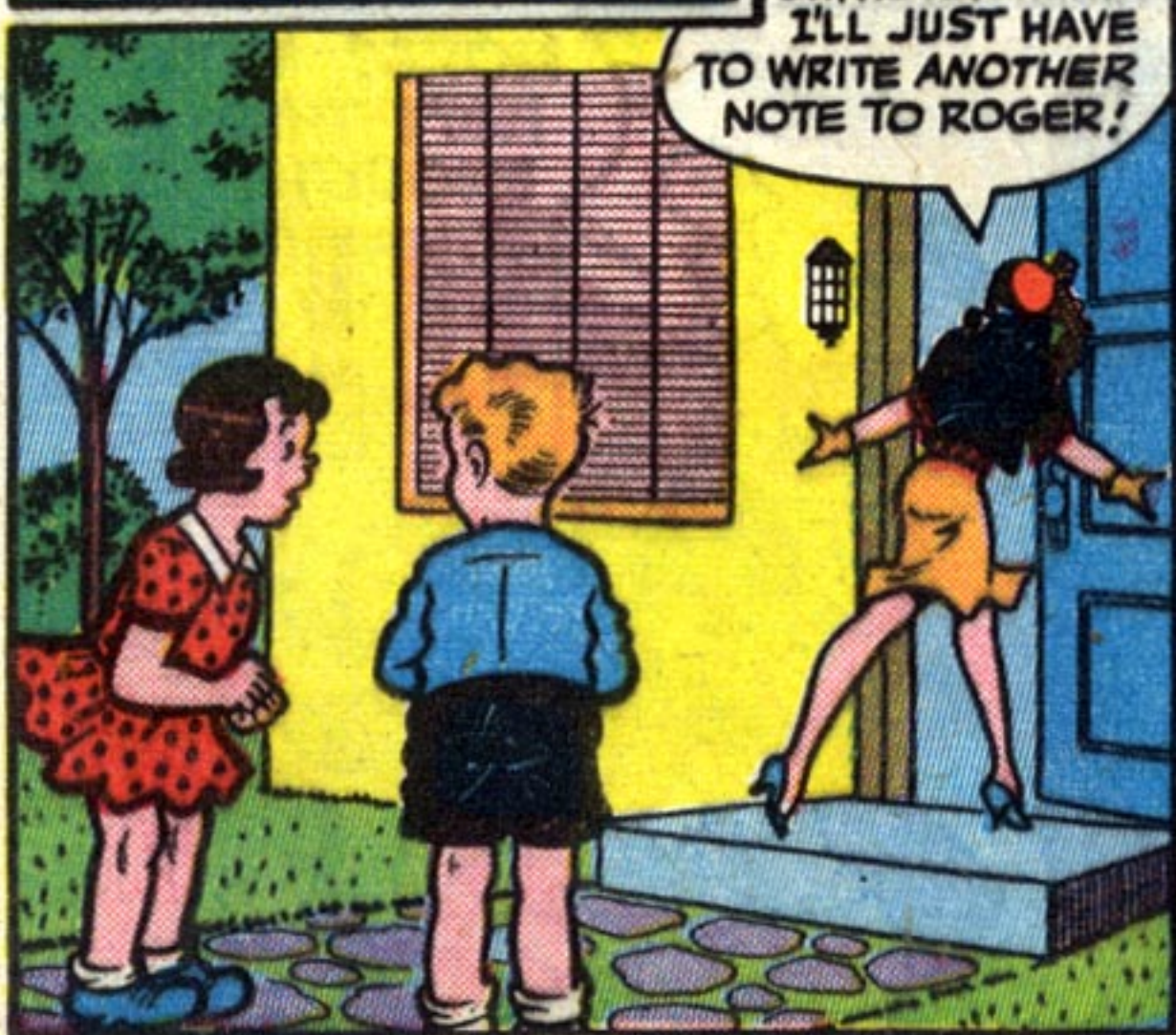
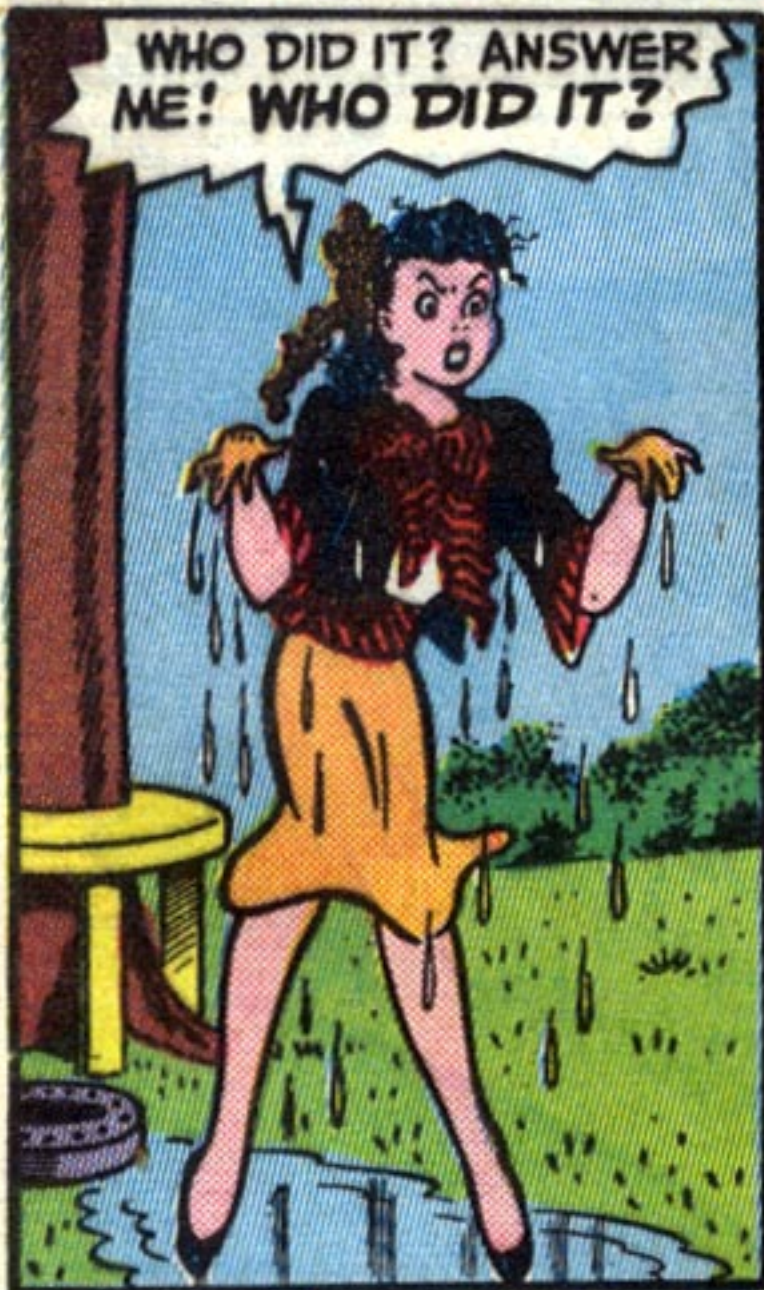
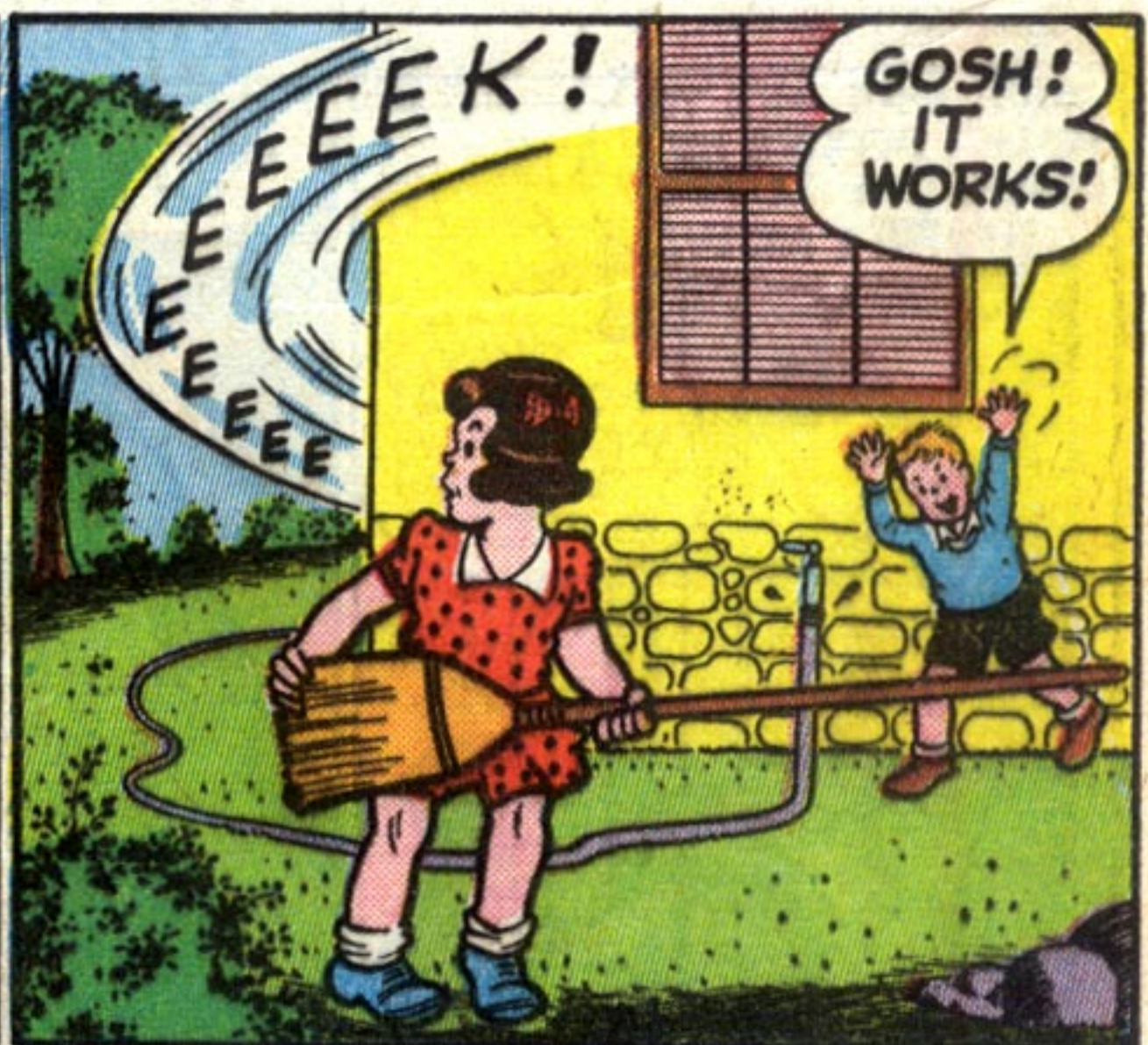
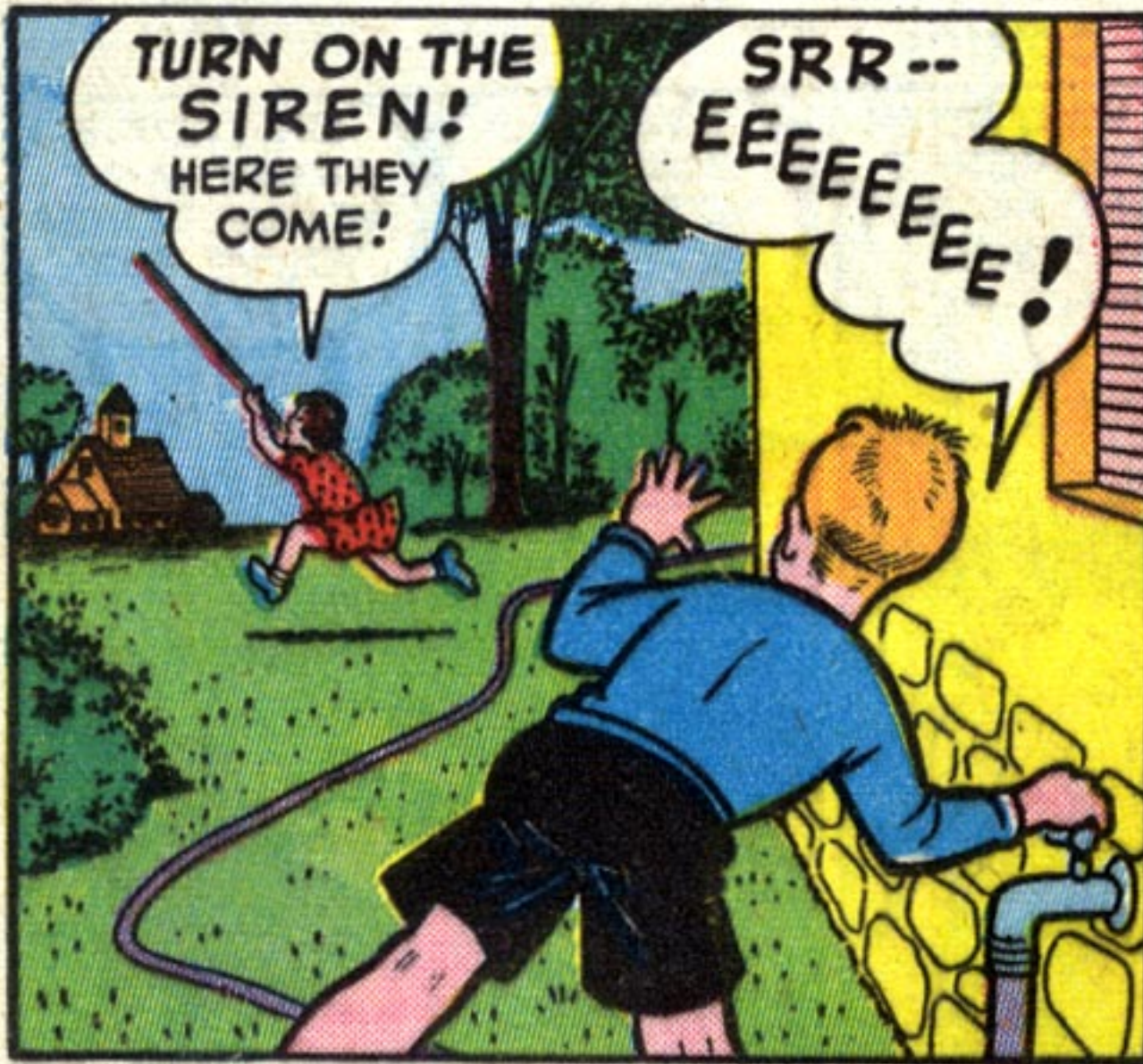


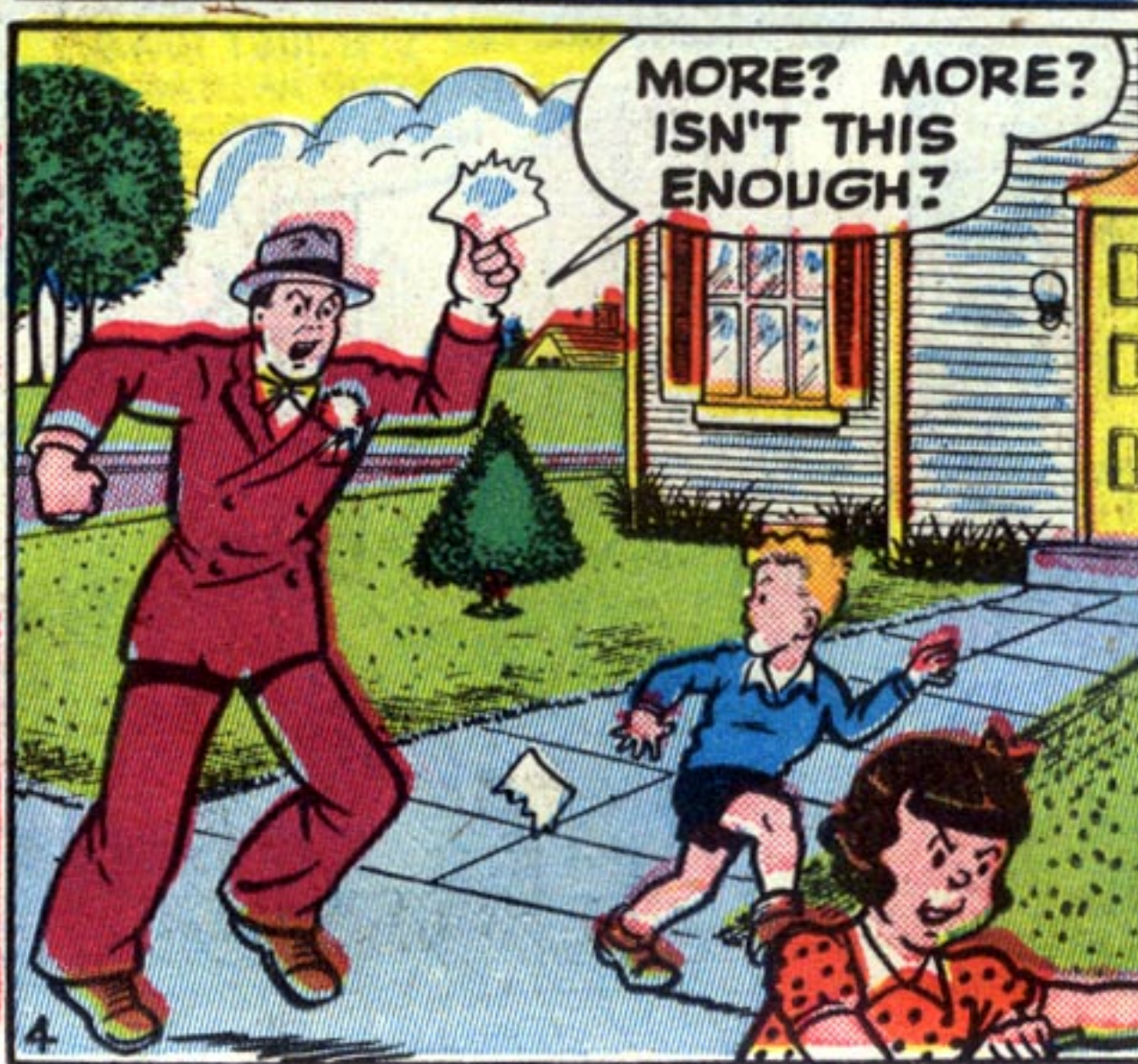
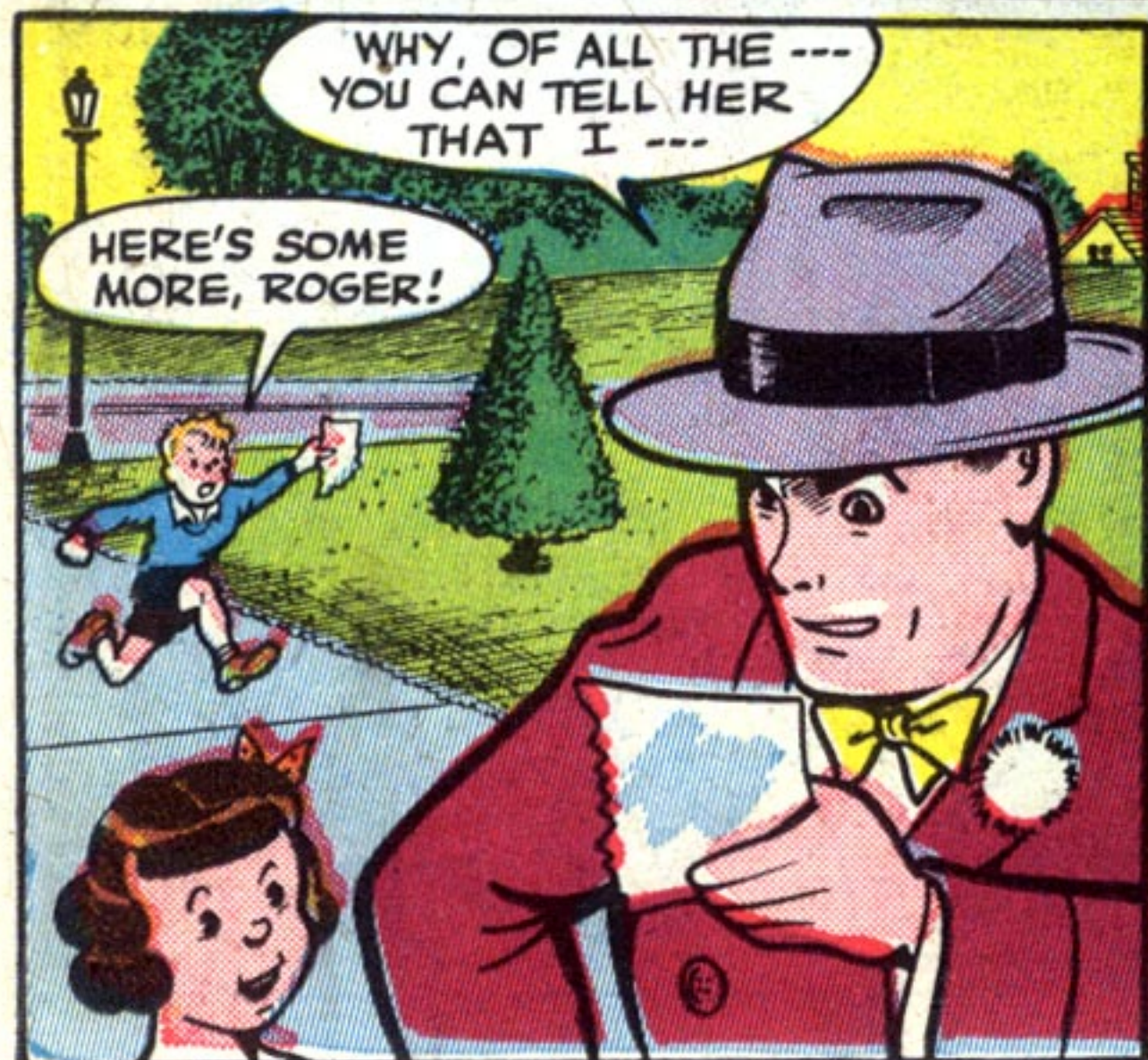
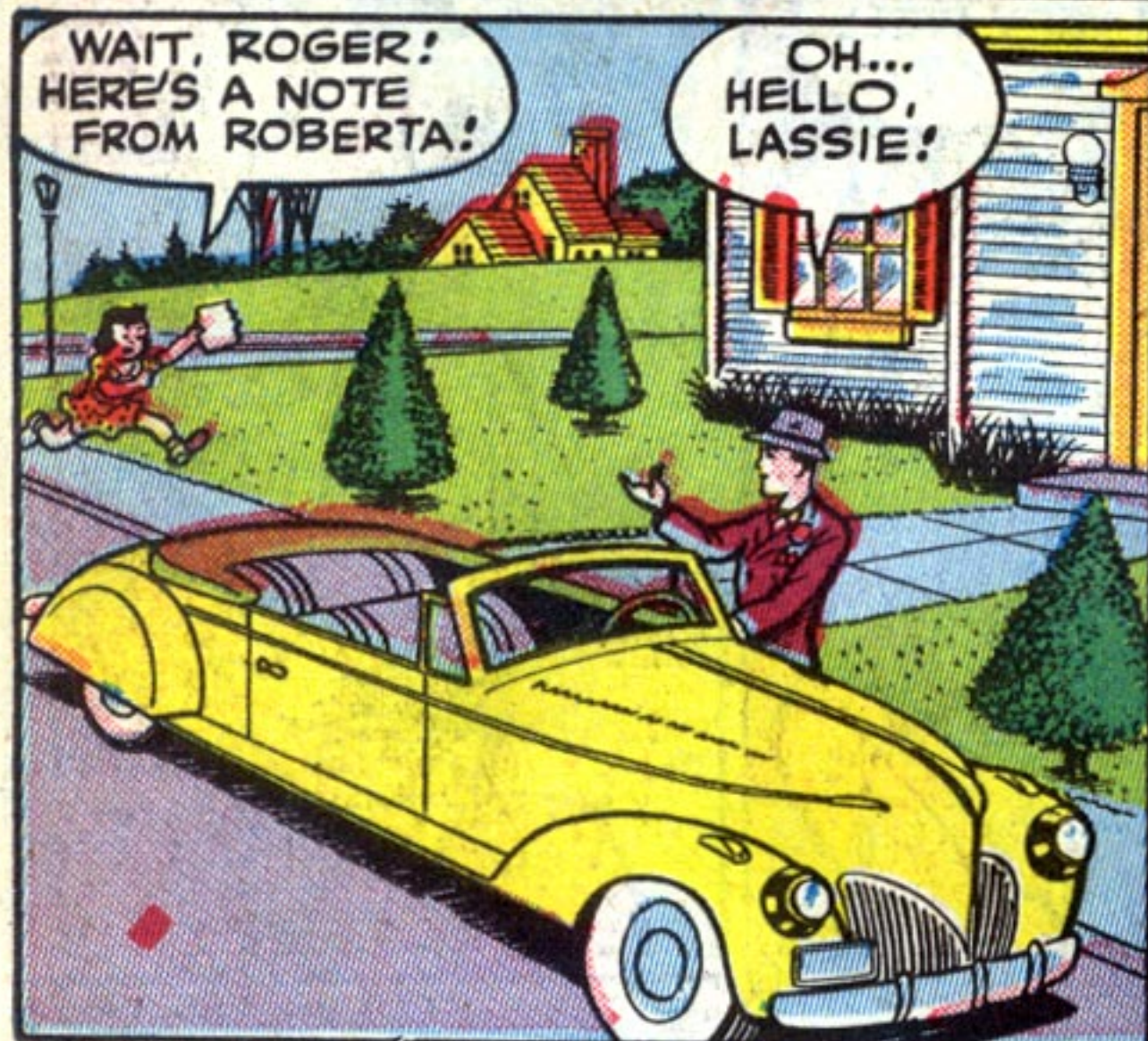
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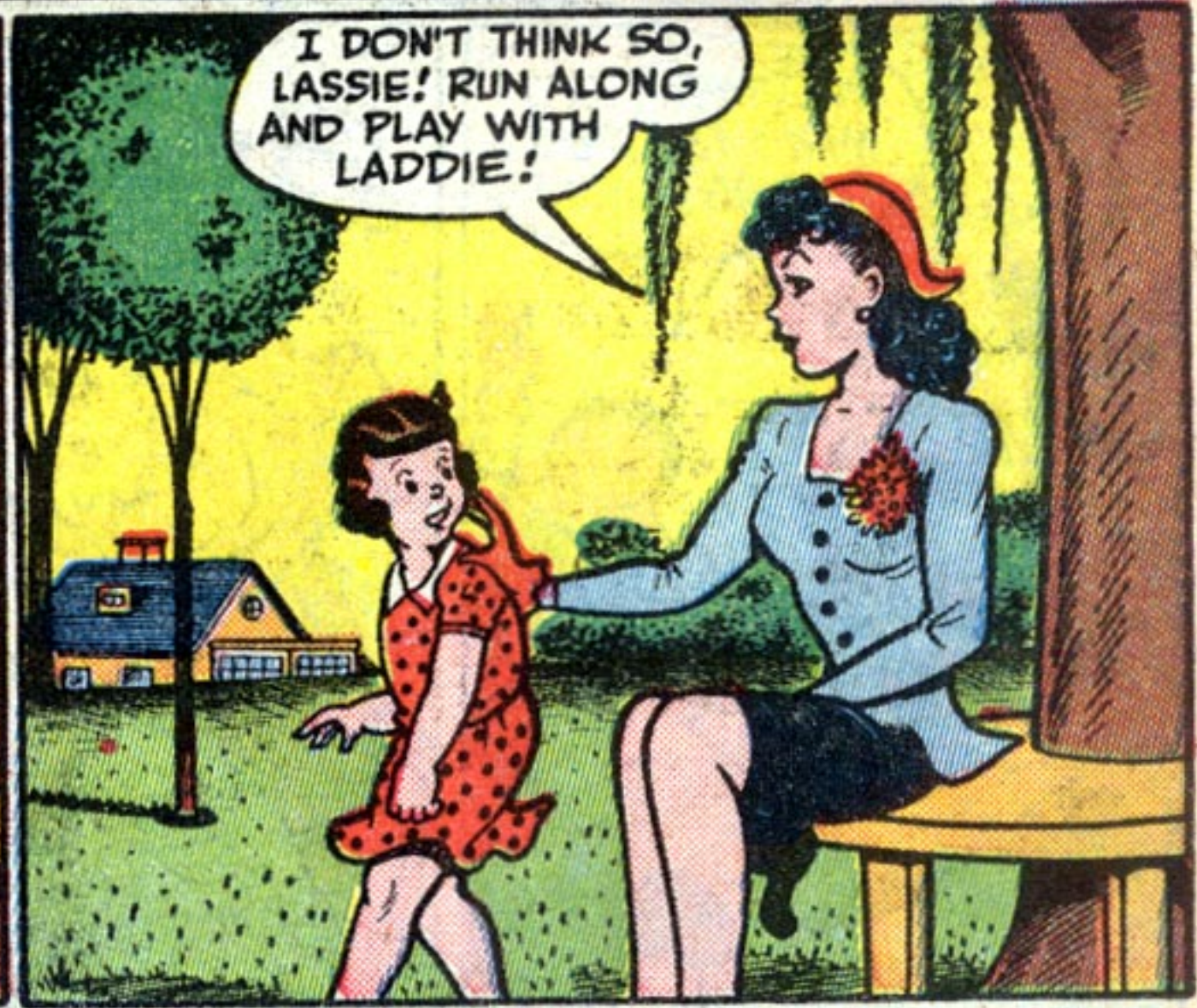
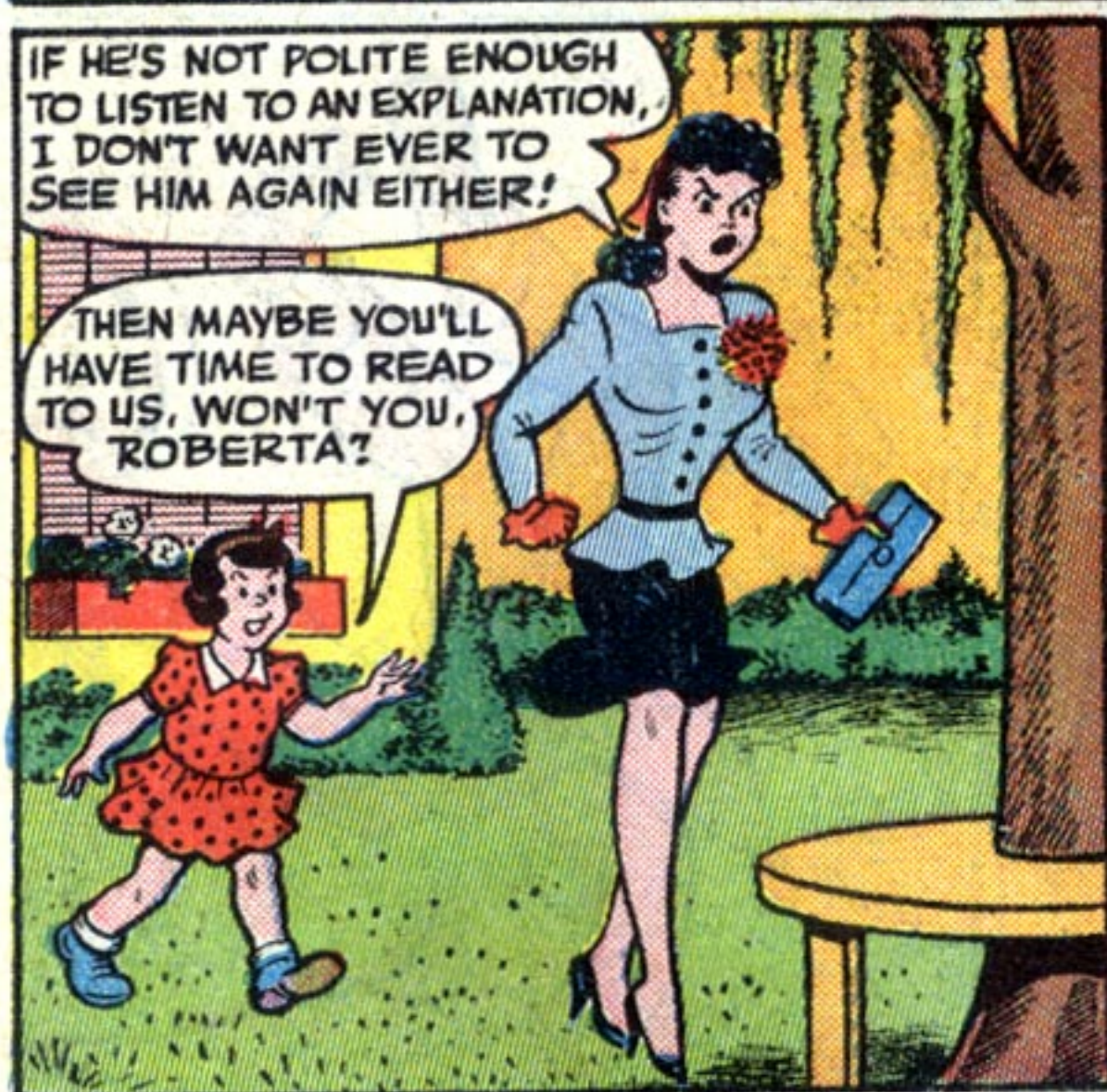
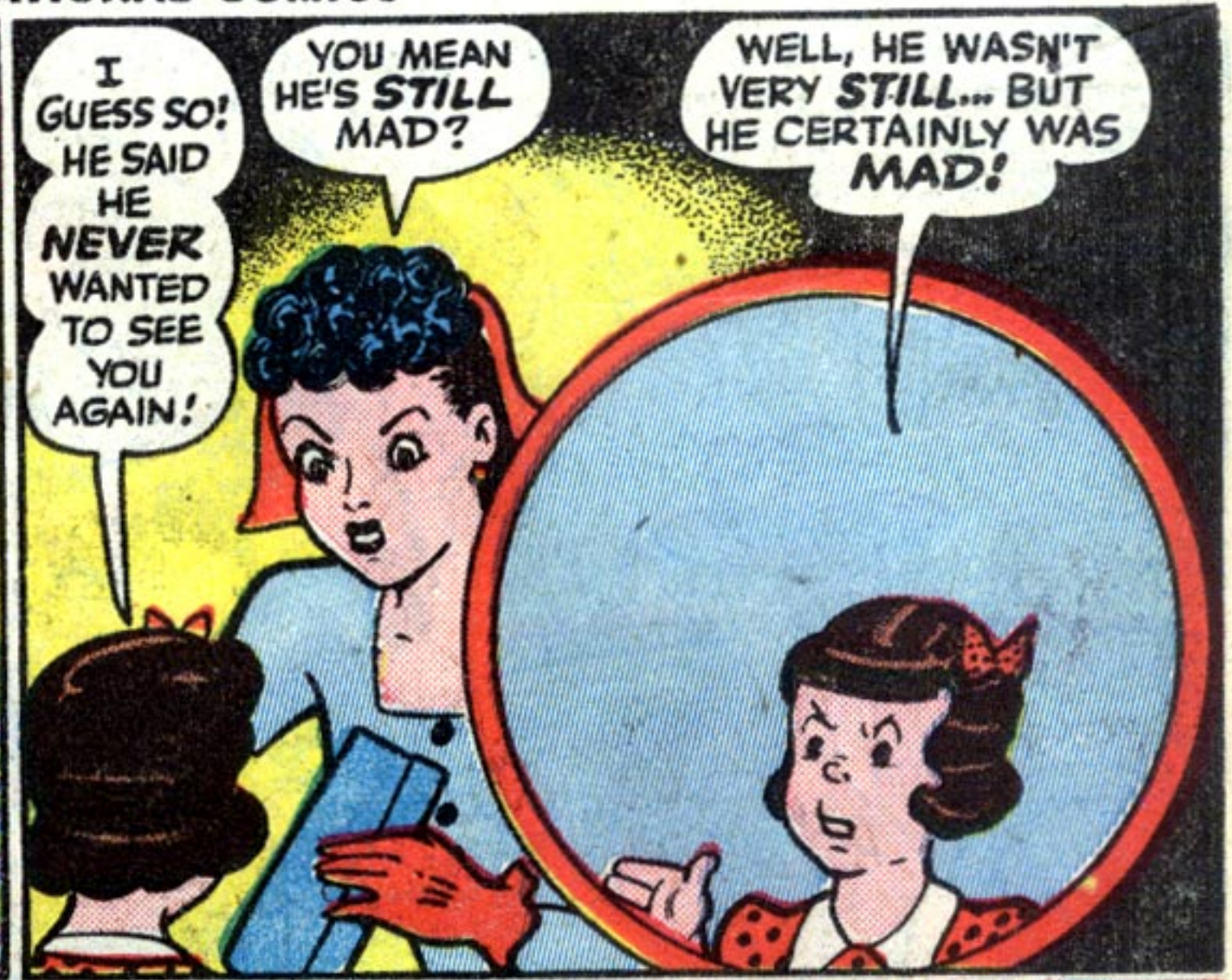
LASSIE,
FOR GOODNESS
SAKE, **STOP!**...
YOU MIGHT
HURT LADDIE!

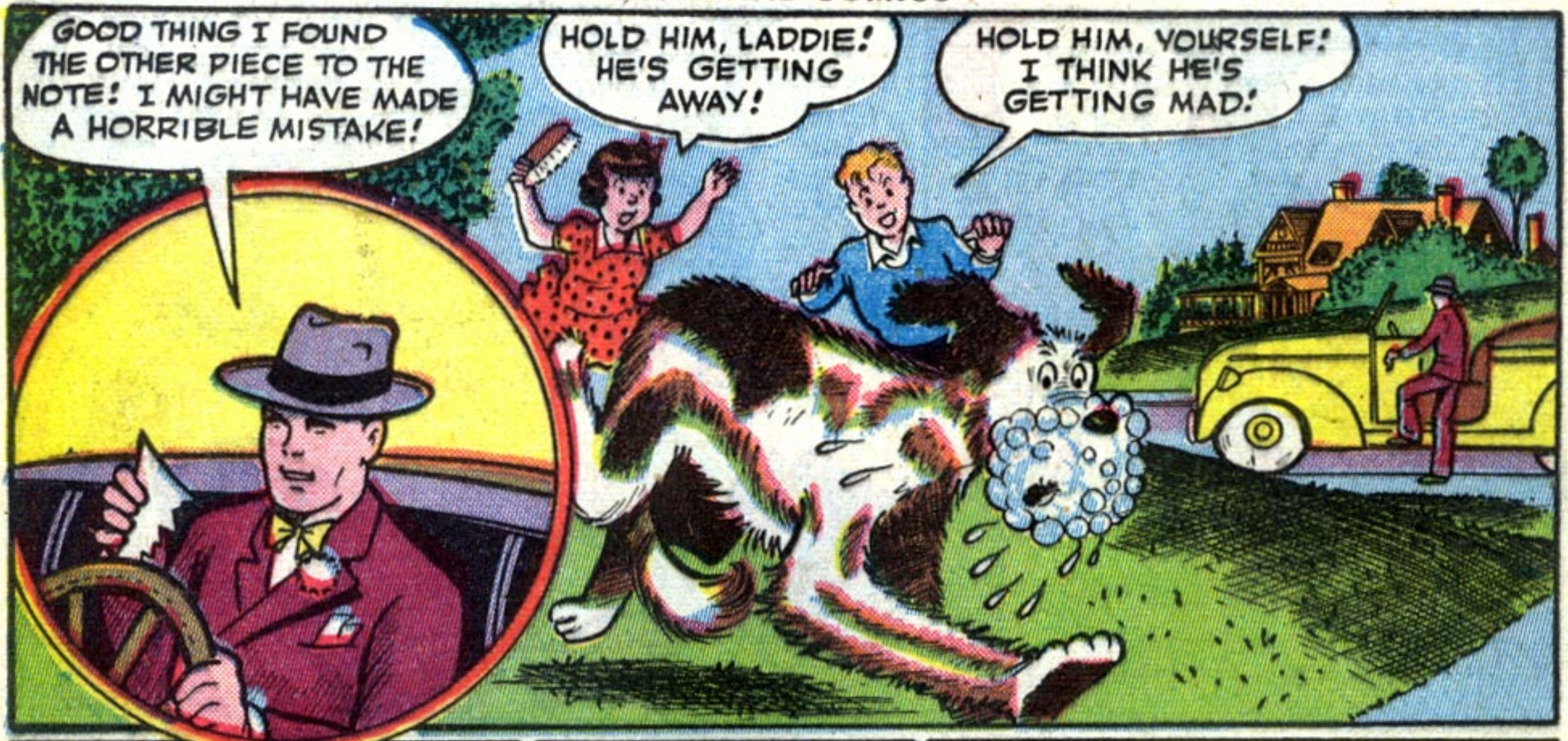
OH, ROBERTA,
I **COULDN'T!**...
I'M **WILLIAM TELL**
AND IT SAYS IN THE
BOOK THAT I SHOOT
AN APPLE OFF
MY SON'S HEAD!











OH, DEAR, THIS IS MRS. VAN VLEET'S PRIZE DOG! SHE'S ENTERING HIM IN A SHOW TOMORROW -- ASKED ME TO MIND HIM FOR AWHILE! IF ANYTHING HAPPENED TO HIM, I THINK SHE'D GO CRAZY!



NO HARM DONE! COME, ROBERTA, I'VE SOMETHING TO TELL YOU!

NOW PLAY NICE, CHILDREN! WE'LL BE RIGHT BACK!



GOSH, LASSIE, DO YOU THINK WE OUGHT TO?

CERTAINLY! IT WON'T HURT HIM AND WE CAN ALWAYS GLUE IT BACK ON!



A short time elapses...

SO DON'T LET ON ABOUT THE NOTE!... THE KIDS REALLY DIDN'T DO ANY HARM!

ALL RIGHT, ROGER, IF YOU SAY SO! COME ON, CHILDREN! WE'VE A TREAT FOR YOU!



OH, BOY! ICE CREAM!

AN' CAKE!



HEY, LASSIE, DON'T YOU THINK WE OUGHTA TELL HER THAT WE COULDN'T GET HIS HAIR TO STICK WITH GLUE?



I DON'T THINK SO! ... NOT YET! WE'D BETTER FINISH OUR ICE CREAM AND CAKE FIRST! THEN WE'LL TELL!



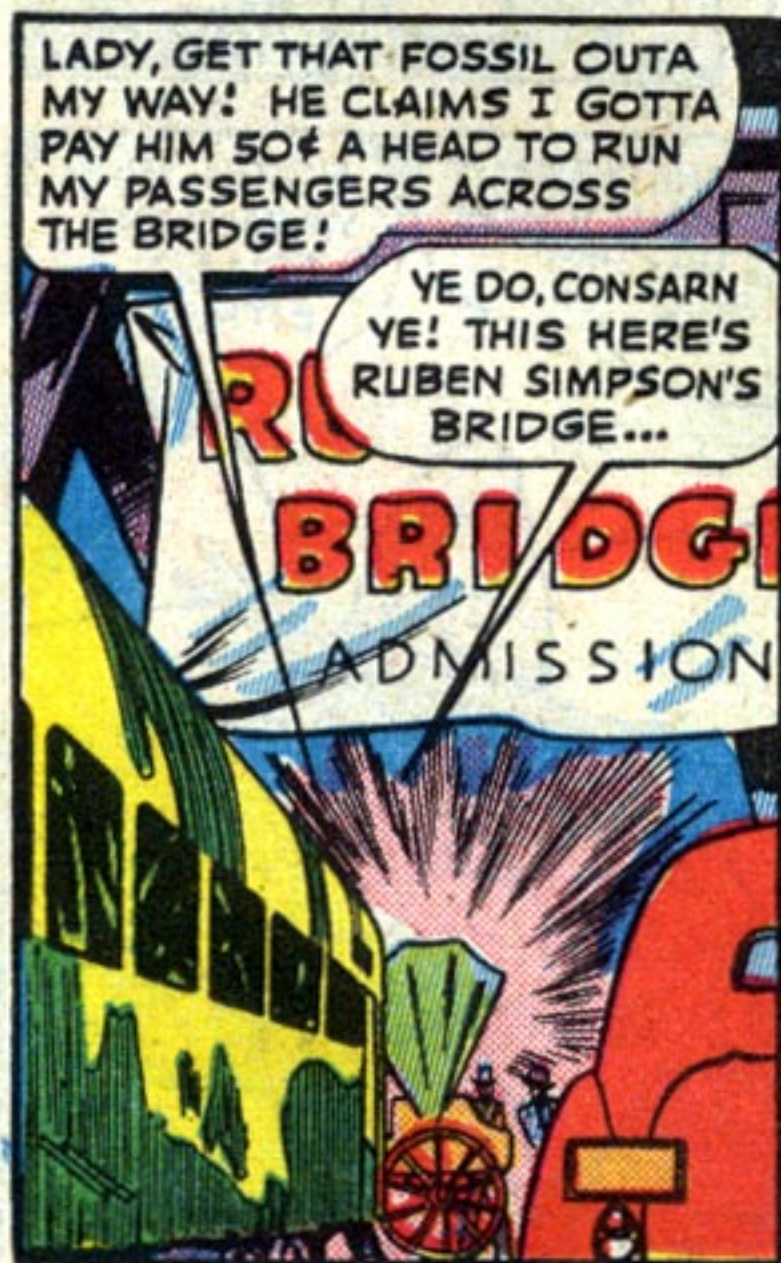
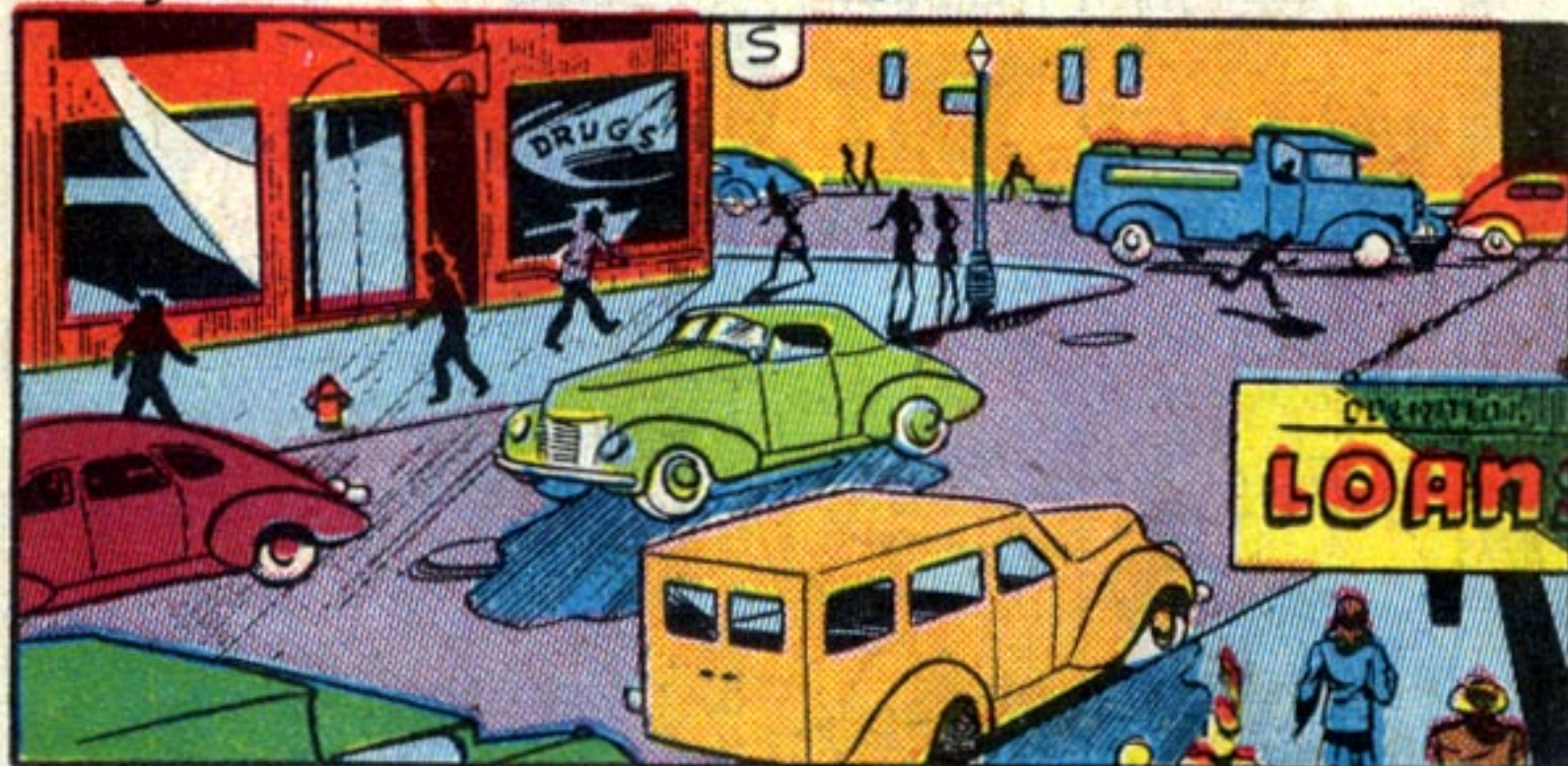
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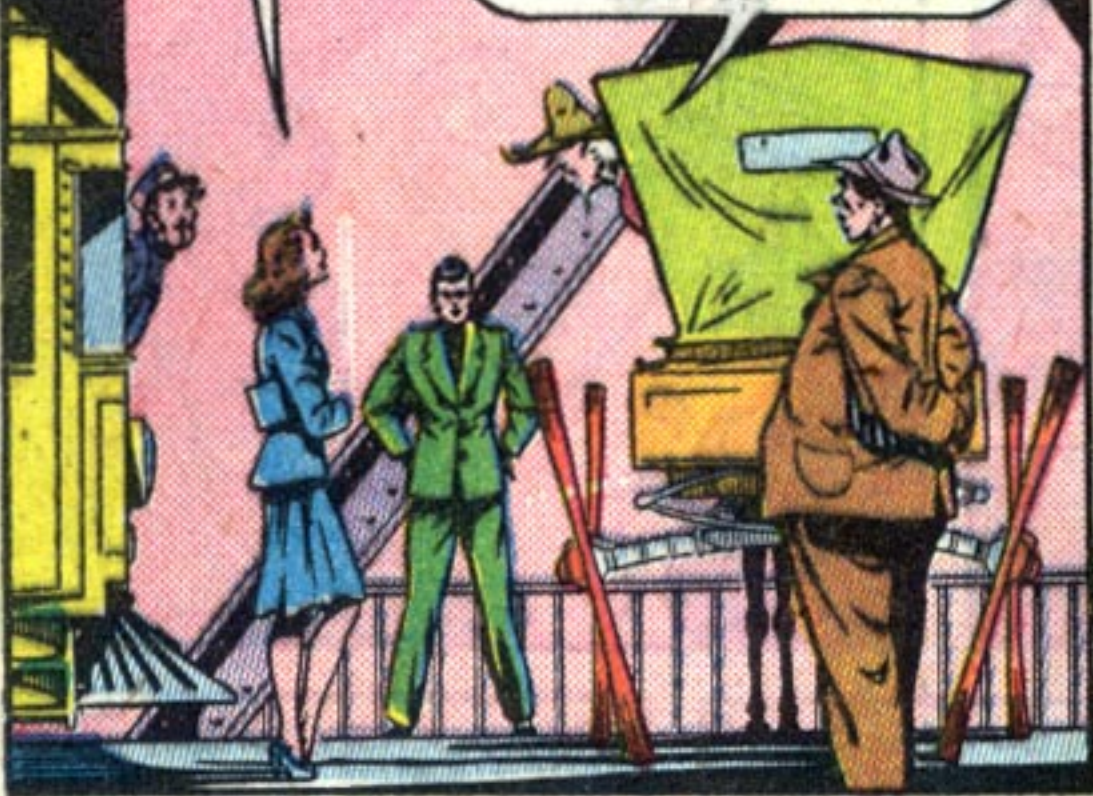
HE was the Ace of Saps -- the Sultan of Suckers -- the answer to a confidence man's prayer! Policewoman Sally O'Neil felt sorry for poor, defenseless Rube Simpson...
for a while!!

IN the bustle and hurry of a city street scene, we soon see a familiar, blue-clad figure thoroughly enjoying the morning air. But that morning air smells of trouble... not so far away! Let's follow and see....



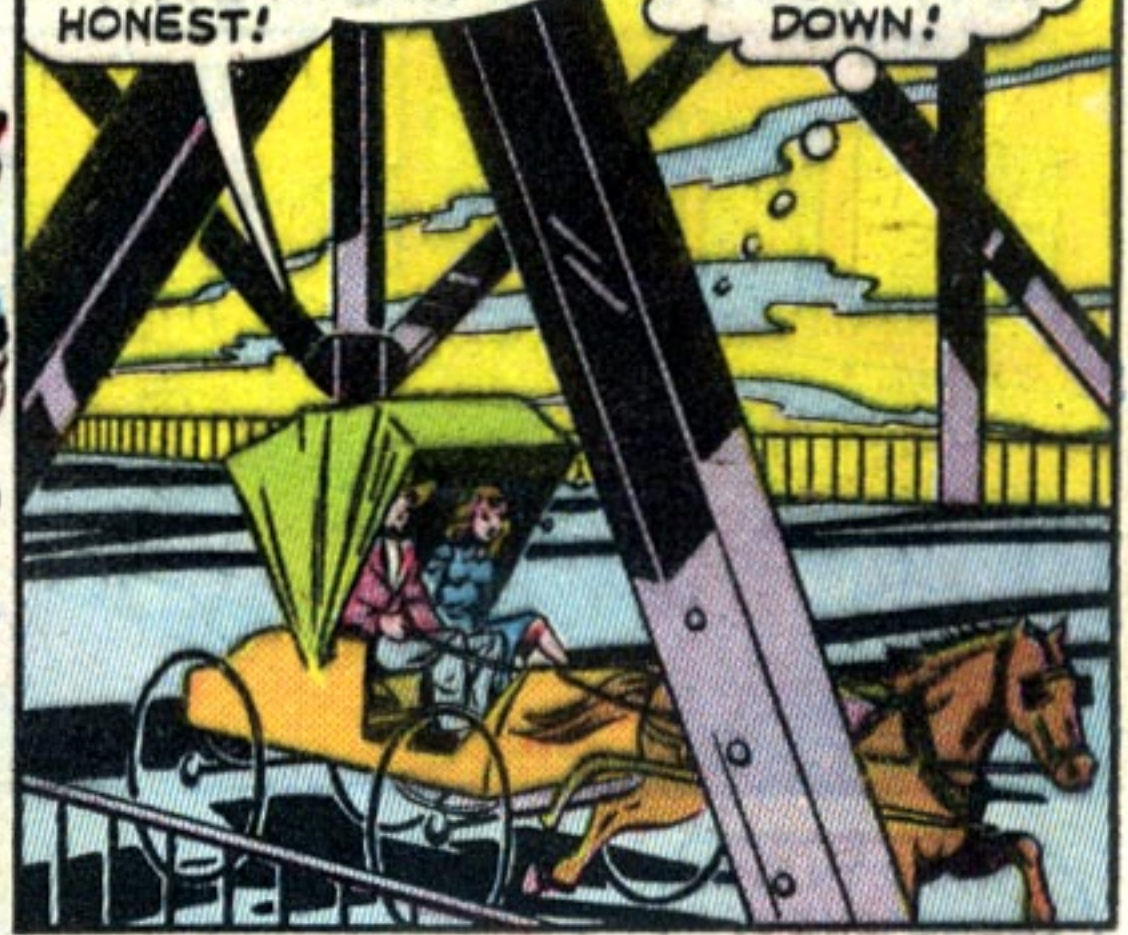
COME ALONG TO HEADQUARTERS! MAYBE YOU CAN IDENTIFY A PHOTO OF THE CROOK AND HELP US GET YOUR MONEY BACK!

ALL RIGHT, LADY-- BUT I AIN'T GONNA LEAVE MAG AN' MY BEST BUGGY OUT HERE!



I CAN'T FIGGER IT OUT! THE FELLER THAT SOLD ME THE BRIDGE SEEMED JEST AS NICE AN' HONEST!

HOW DO I GET INTO THESE MESSSES? THE BOYS'LL NEVER LET ME LIVE THIS DOWN!



IF THERE'S CROOKS IN THIS TOWN, I BETTER BRING MY \$50,000 WITH ME!



FIFTY THOU?? ULP! JUMPING CATFISH ... YES! GET IT INSIDE AND INTO A SAFE QUICK! WHERE'D YOU GET ALL THAT MONEY?

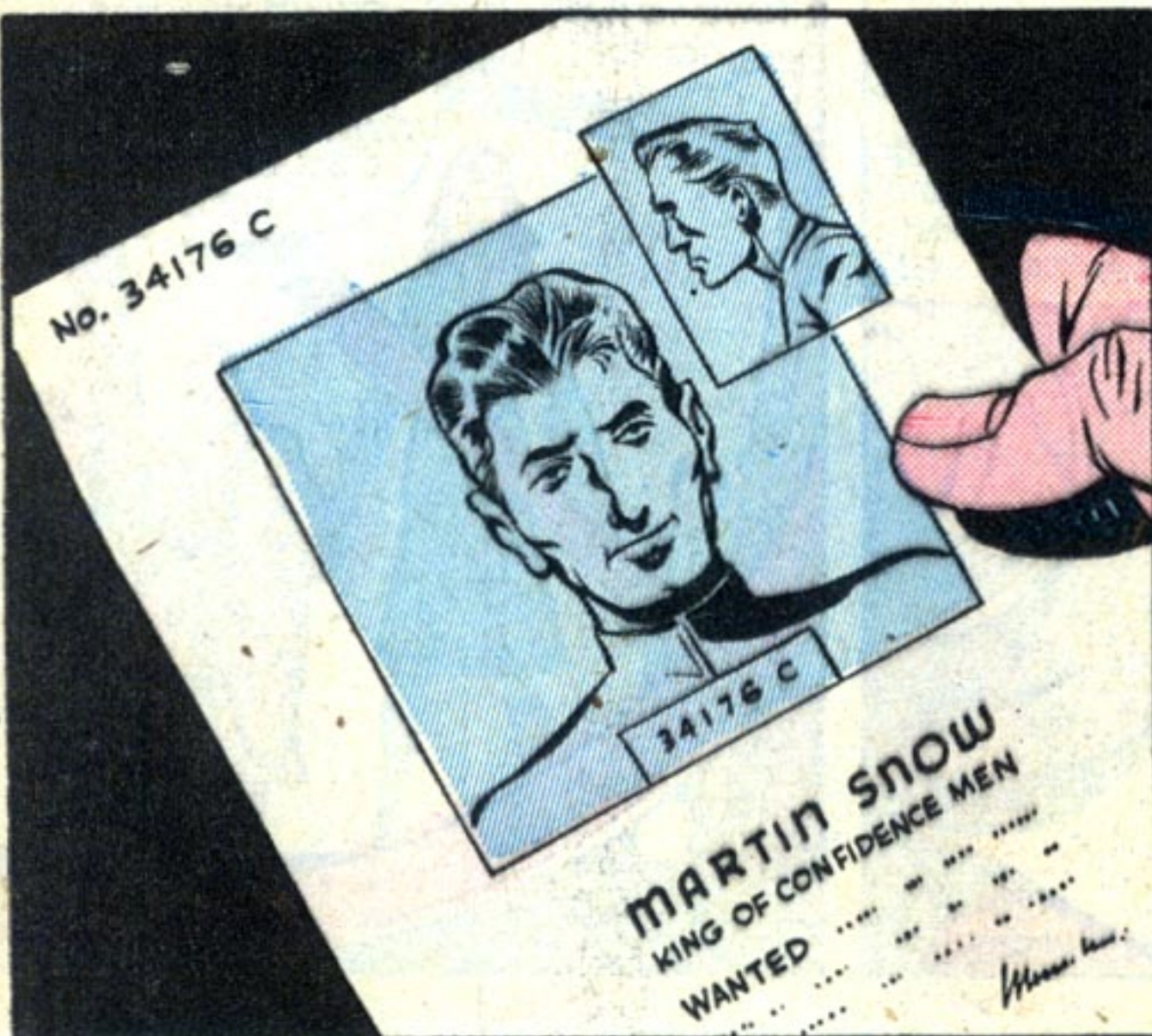
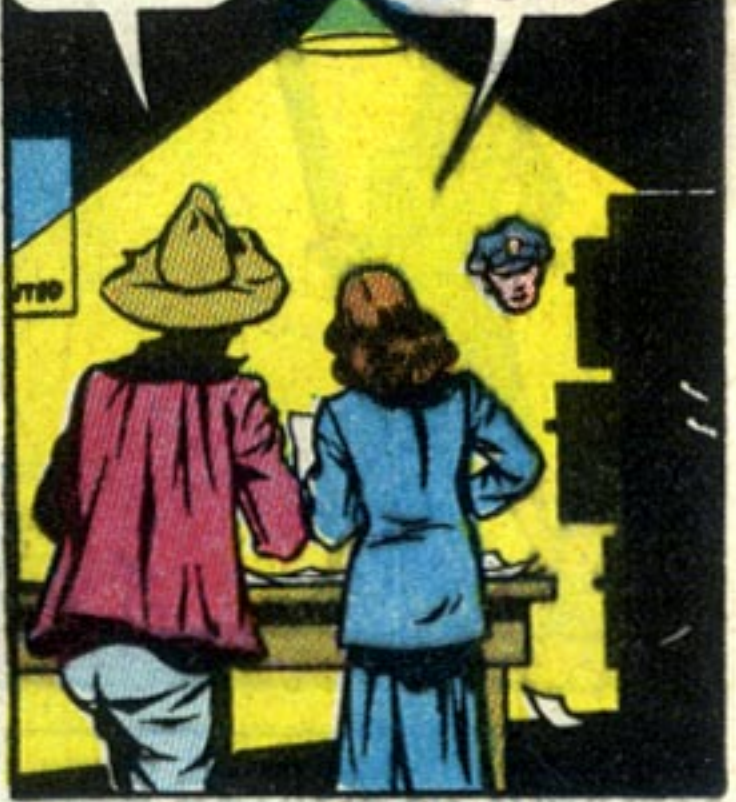
STRUCK OIL ON MY FARM AND SOLD IT FOR A HUNDRED THOUSAND! ... I COME TO TOWN TO FIND A GOOD INVESTMENT FER IT!



ULP! ... WELL, COME ON AND SEE IF YOU CAN IDENTIFY YOUR FIRST ADVISER!

NOPE! NOPE! HE WARNT NONE OF THESE FELLERS, LADY!

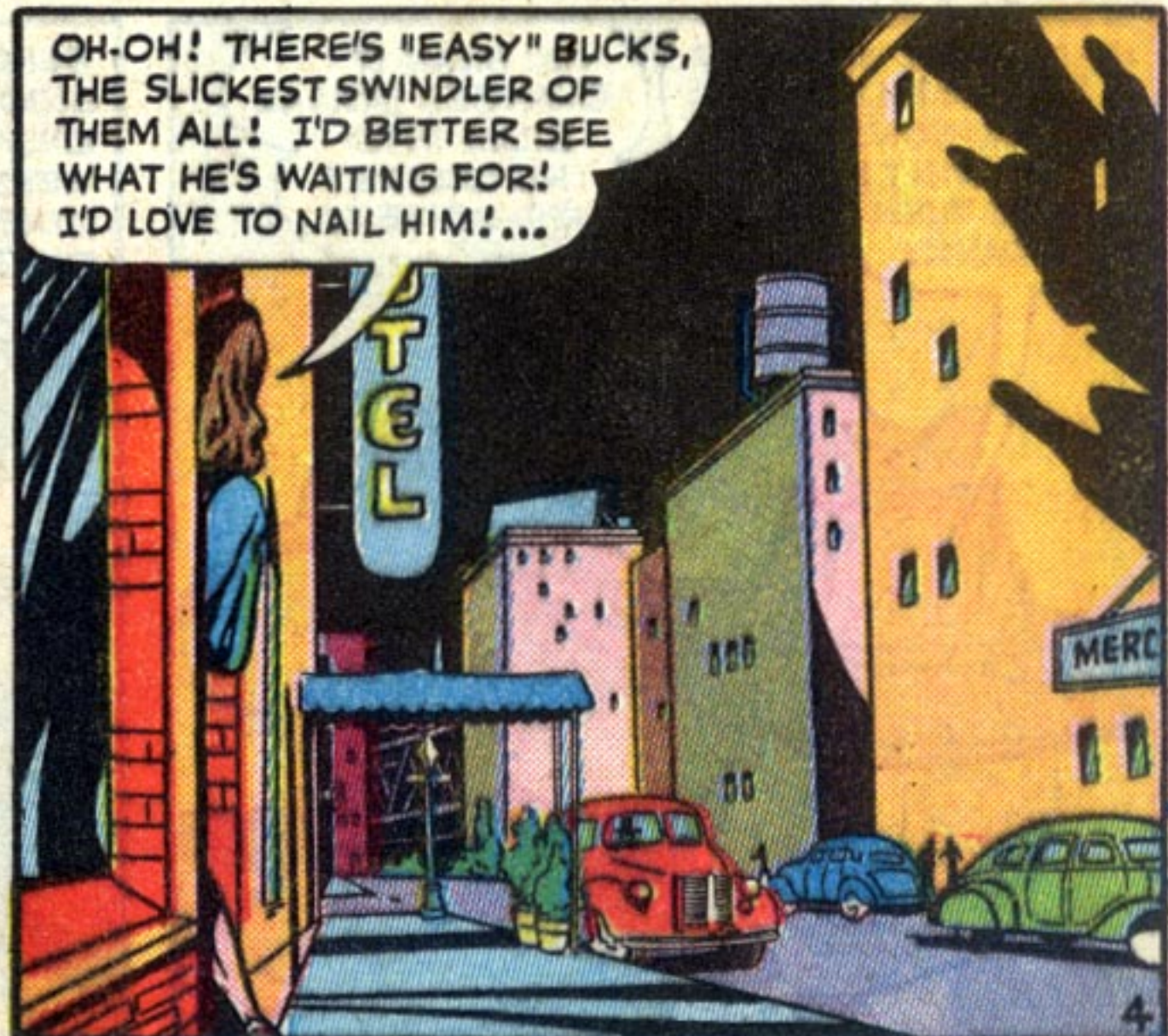
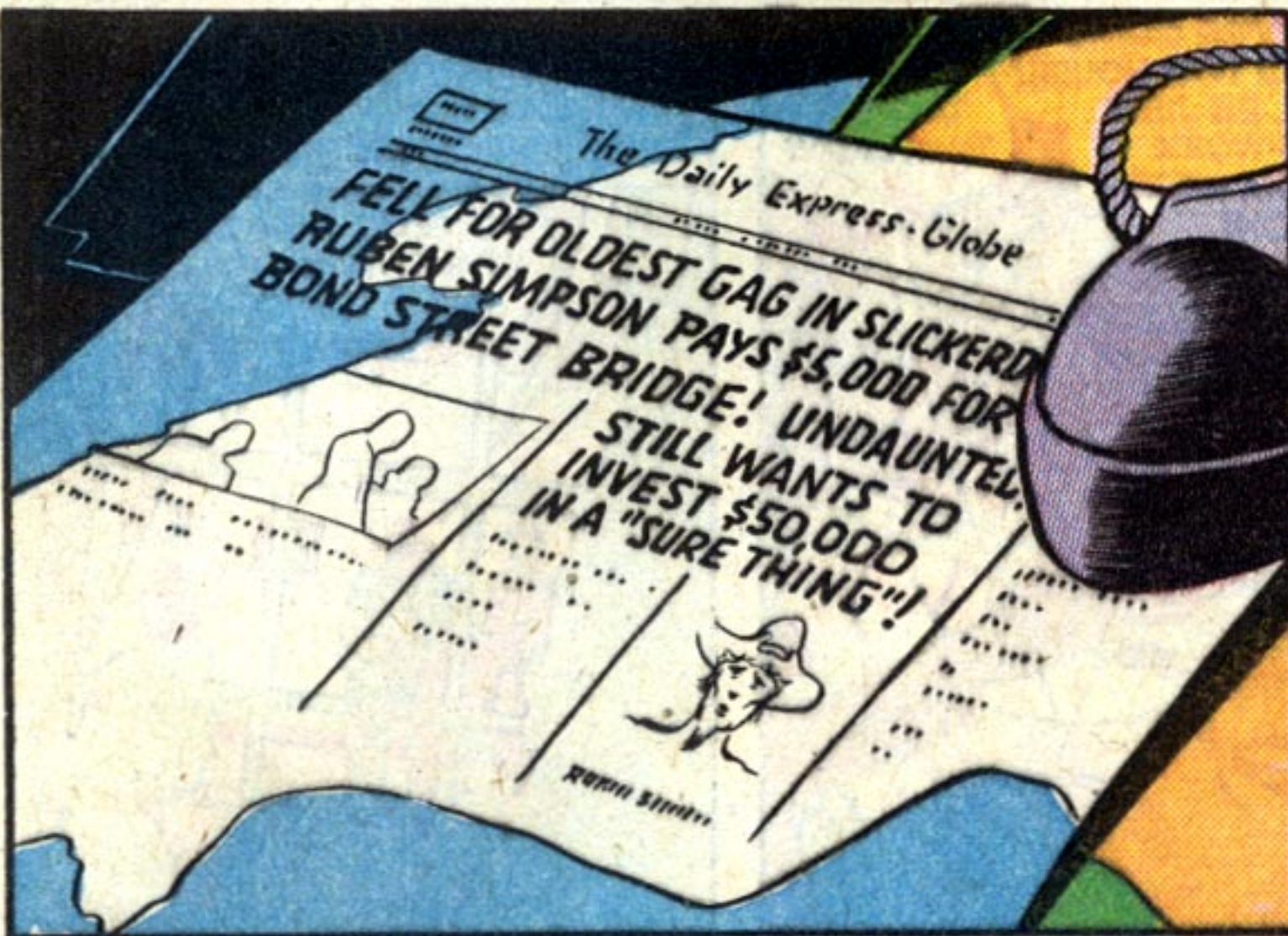
HERE'S THE LAST ONE! SEE IF THIS IS THE MAN WHO CHEATED YOU!



THIS FELLOW VANISHED ABOUT FOUR YEARS AGO-- BUT WE'RE STILL EXPECTING HIM TO SHOW UP AGAIN ONE OF THESE DAYS!

NOPE! THIS WARNT THE FELLER, EITHER!







WELL, WELL, GOOD EVENING, MR. SIMPSON! ALL READY TO SEE MY NEW INVENTION?

WOW! THAT DUMB THISTLE-CHIN IS WALKING RIGHT INTO THEIR TRAP! I'VE GOT TO STOP HIM ...



BUT WAIT! I'VE BEEN TRYING FOR YEARS TO GET THE GOODS ON EASY! MAYBE THIS IS MY CHANCE TO NAB HIM IN ACTION!



POLICE DEPARTMENT! FOLLOW THAT CAR AHEAD -- BUT DON'T LET THEM GET SUSPICIOUS!

YOU'RE ON, LADY!



THEY'RE GOING INTO THAT HOUSE! IT'LL BE JUST LEG-WORK FROM HERE ON!

YOU GOT WHAT IT TAKES FER THAT, LADY!



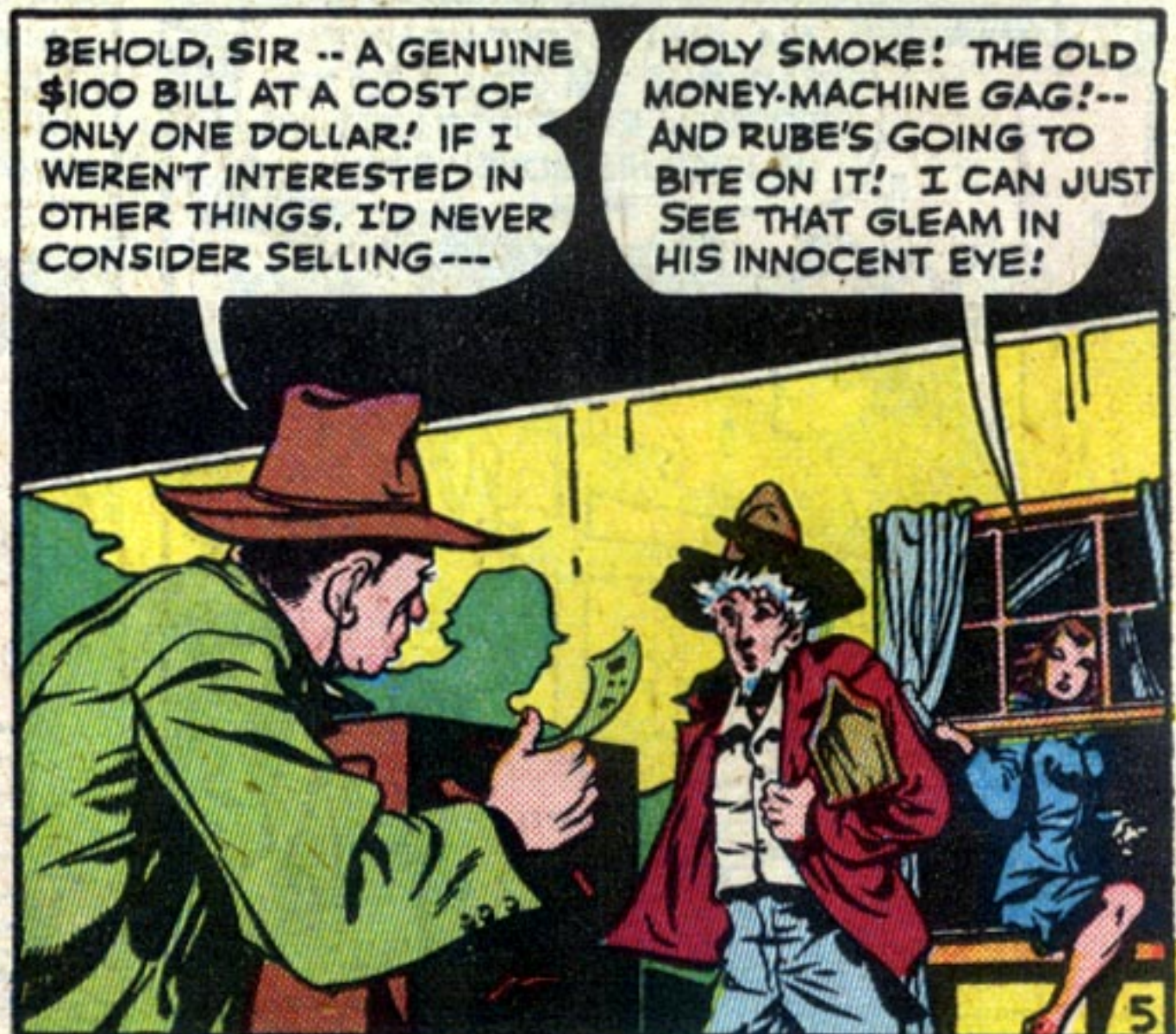
HERE IT IS, MR. SIMPSON! ... MY GREAT INVENTION -- A MACHINE THAT ACTUALLY MANUFACTURES HUNDRED-DOLLAR BILLS!

DO TELL! BUT I AIN'T INVESTIN' UNTIL I'M SURE IT WORKS!



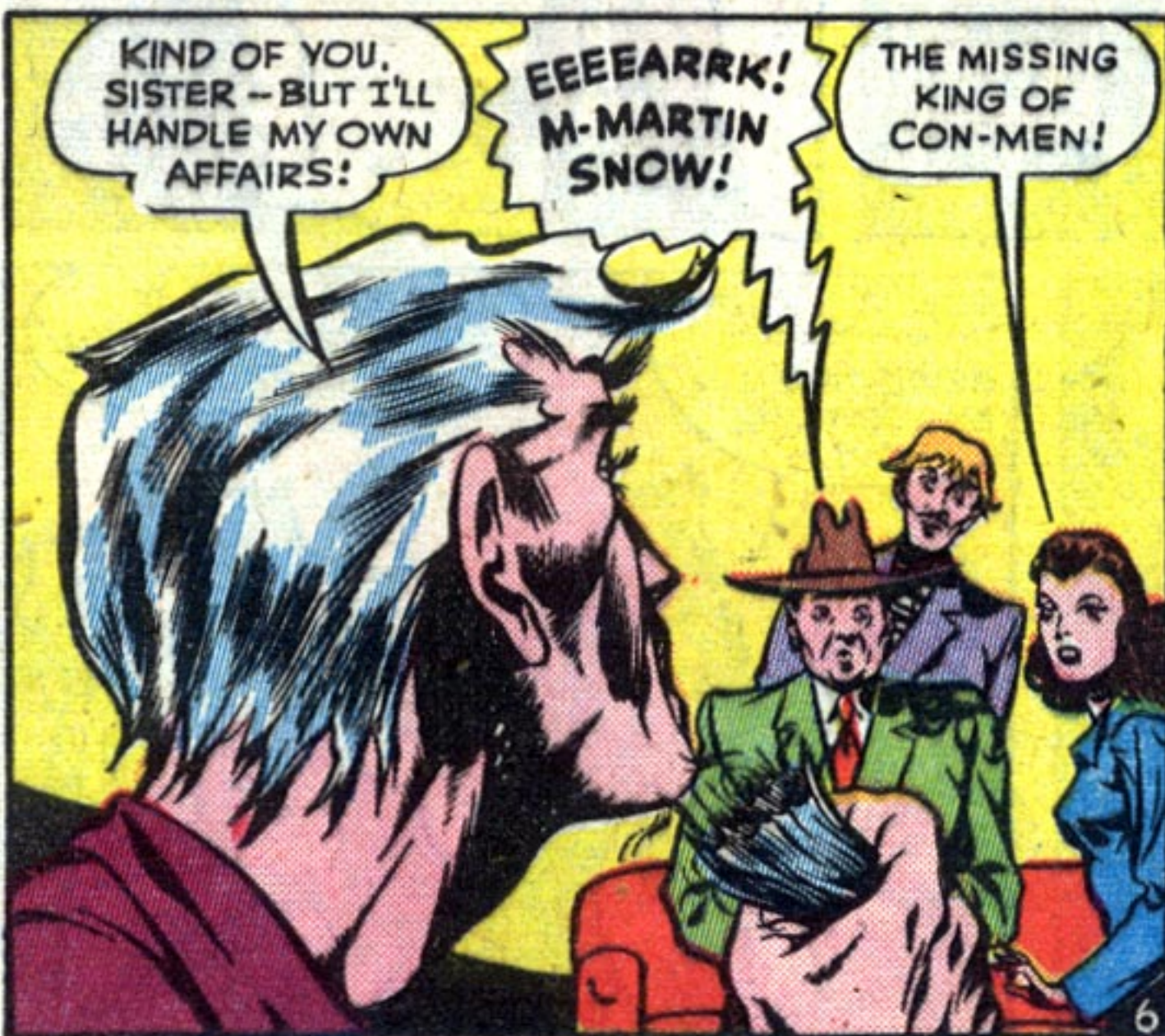
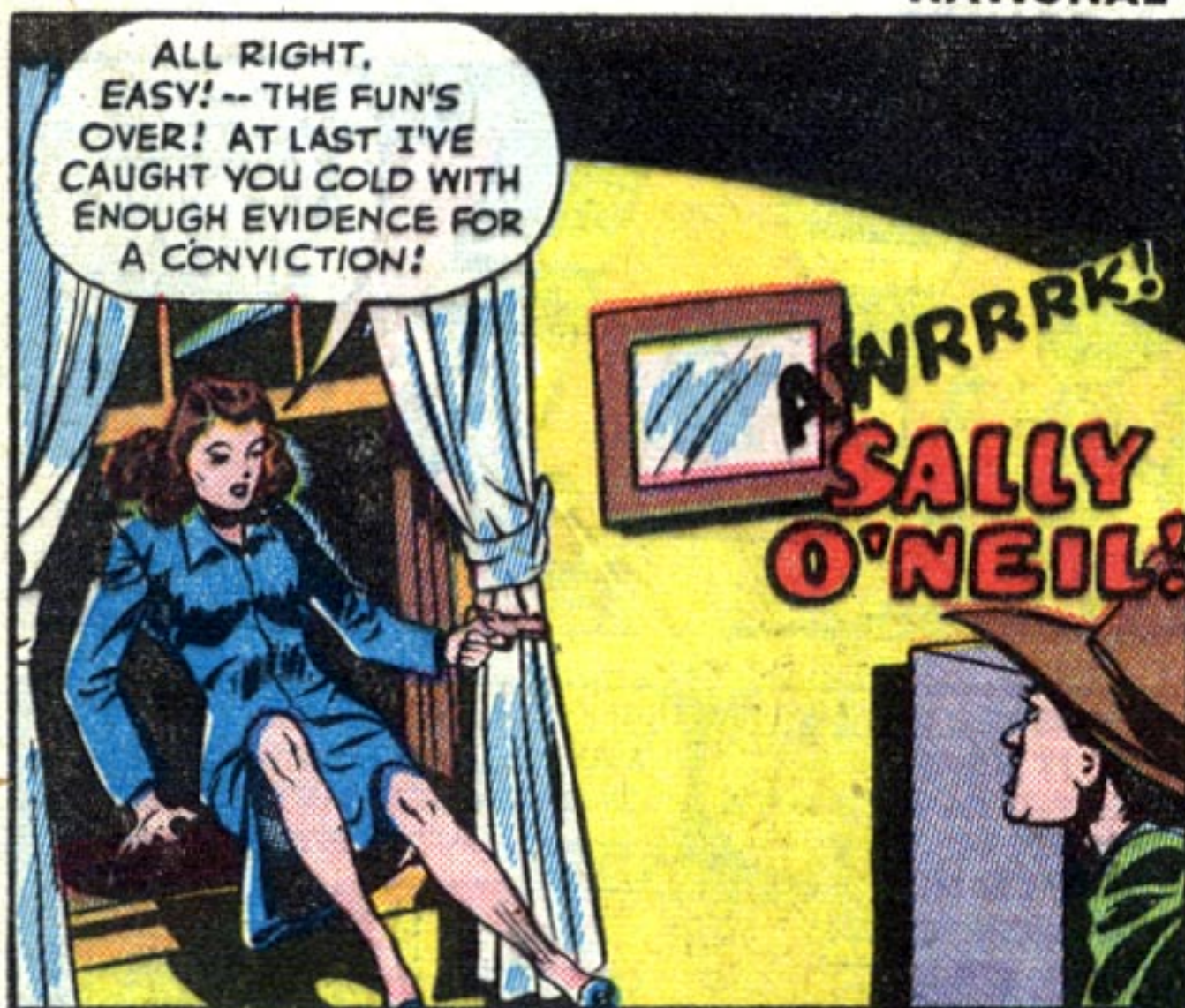
OF COURSE! JEFF, PUT A DOLLAR BILL IN FOR MR. SIMPSON! NOW WATCH WHAT HAPPENS WHEN I TURN THE CRANK!

YOU MEAN IT CHANGES DOLLAR BILLS INTO HUNDREDS? JEE-UPITER!



BEHOLD, SIR -- A GENUINE \$100 BILL AT A COST OF ONLY ONE DOLLAR! IF I WEREN'T INTERESTED IN OTHER THINGS, I'D NEVER CONSIDER SELLING ---

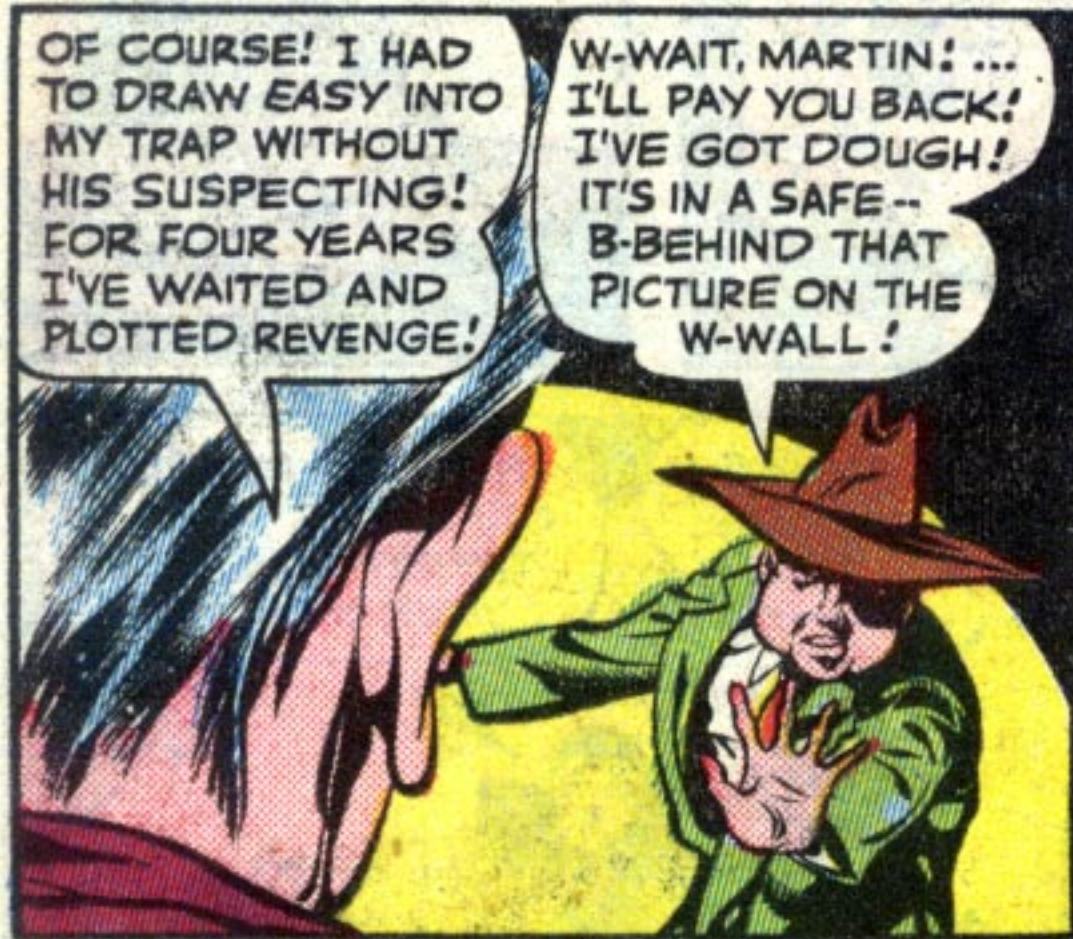
HOLY SMOKE! THE OLD MONEY-MACHINE GAG! -- AND RUBE'S GOING TO BITE ON IT! I CAN JUST SEE THAT GLEAM IN HIS INNOCENT EYE!





FOUR YEARS AGO EASY BUCKS DOUBLE-CROSSED ME ON A DEAL! HE RAN OFF WITH MY DOUGH AND LEFT ME TO TAKE THE RAP!

SO ALL THAT MALARKY ABOUT BUYING THE BRIDGE WAS JUST A BUILD-UP?



OF COURSE! I HAD TO DRAW EASY INTO MY TRAP WITHOUT HIS SUSPECTING! FOR FOUR YEARS I'VE WAITED AND PLOTTED REVENGE!

W-WAIT, MARTIN! ... I'LL PAY YOU BACK! I'VE GOT DOUGH! IT'S IN A SAFE-- B-BEHIND THAT PICTURE ON THE W-WALL!



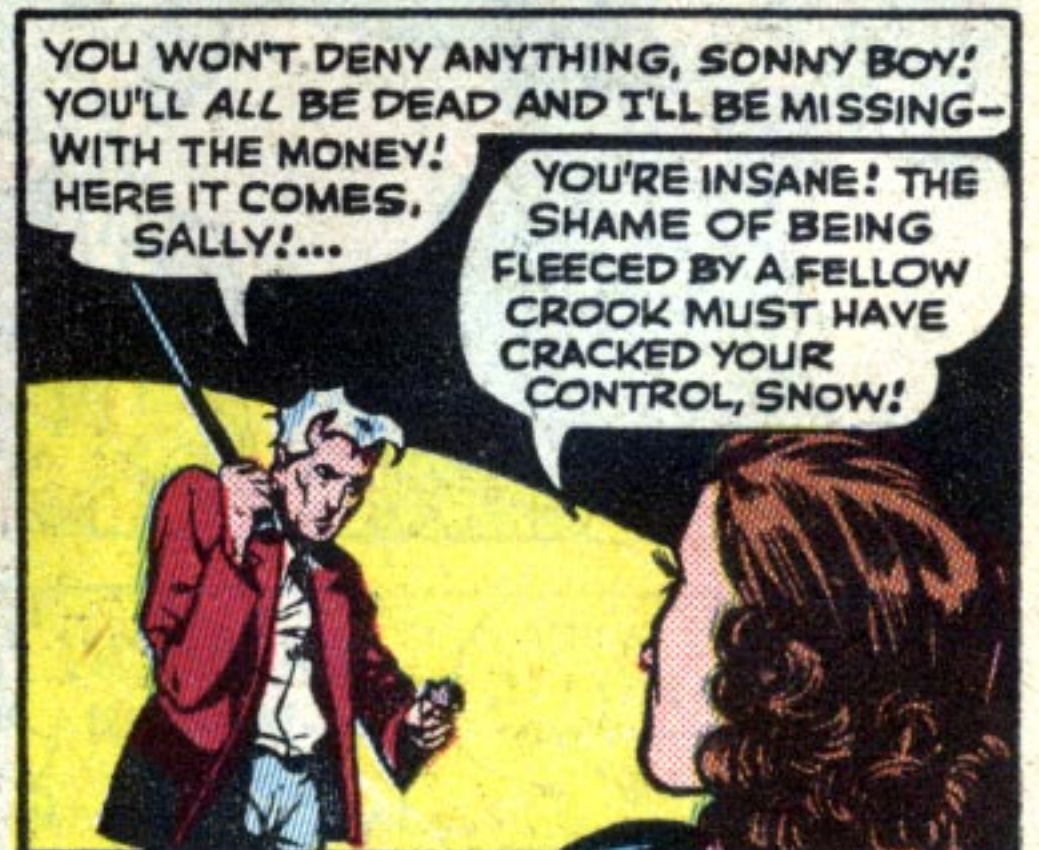
THANKS FOR TELLING ME, SUCKER! IT SAVES BURNING THE INFORMATION OUT OF YOUR YELLOW SKIN! BUT I'M NOT THROUGH WITH YOU!...

IN CASE I OVERLOOKED THE MATTER, YOU THREE BIRDS OF A FEATHER ARE UNDER ARREST!



THE LADY FLATFOOT, HERE, IS GOING TO HAVE HER MOUTH SHUT-- PERMANENTLY! -- AND YOU'RE GOING TO TAKE THE RAP, EASY!

M-ME?? ... W-WAIT, MARTIN! --- N-NOT MURDER! I'LL DENY IT!...



YOU WON'T DENY ANYTHING, SONNY BOY! YOU'LL ALL BE DEAD AND I'LL BE MISSING-- WITH THE MONEY! HERE IT COMES, SALLY!...

YOU'RE INSANE! THE SHAME OF BEING FLEEDED BY A FELLOW CROOK MUST HAVE CRACKED YOUR CONTROL, SNOW!

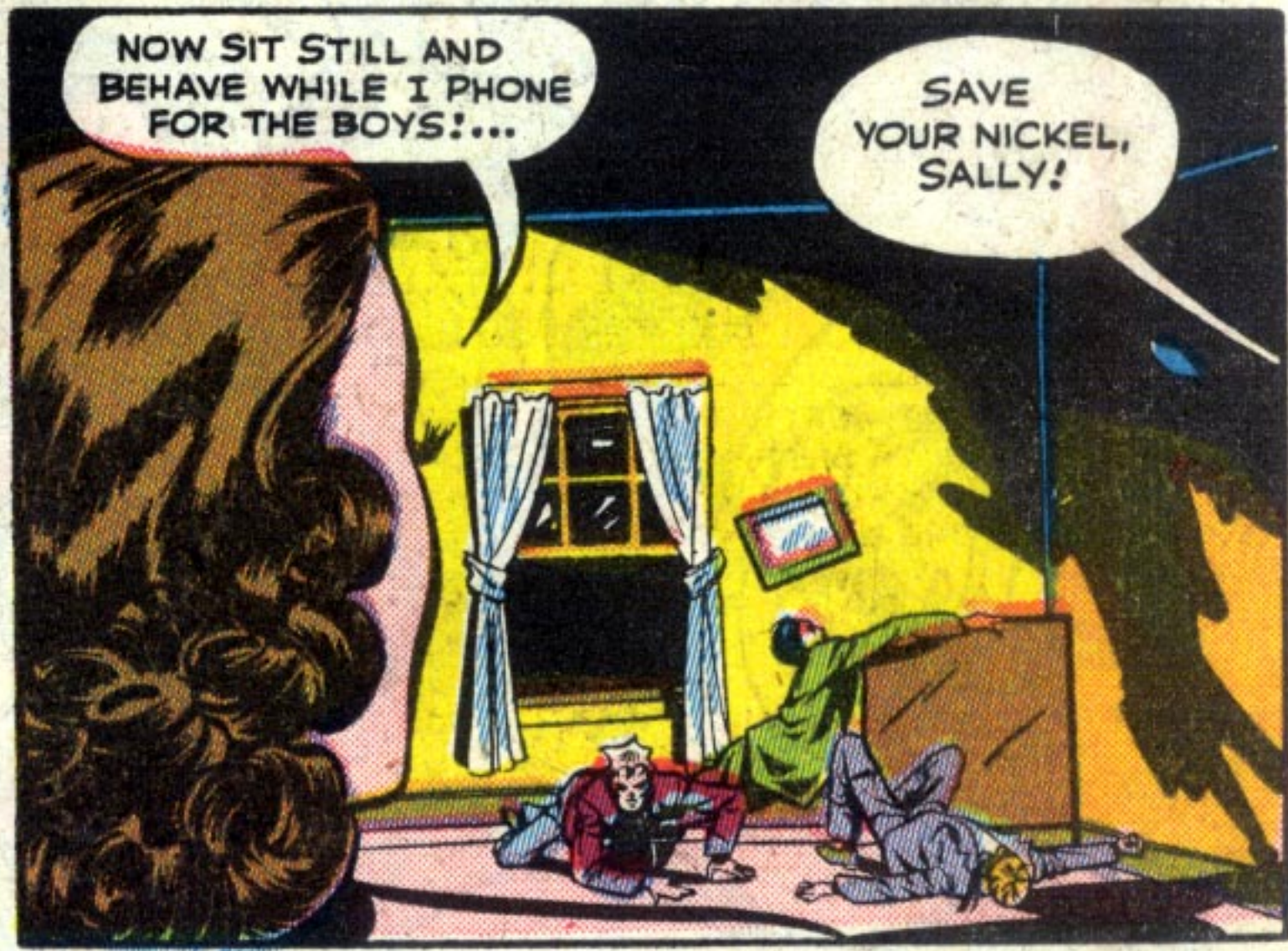
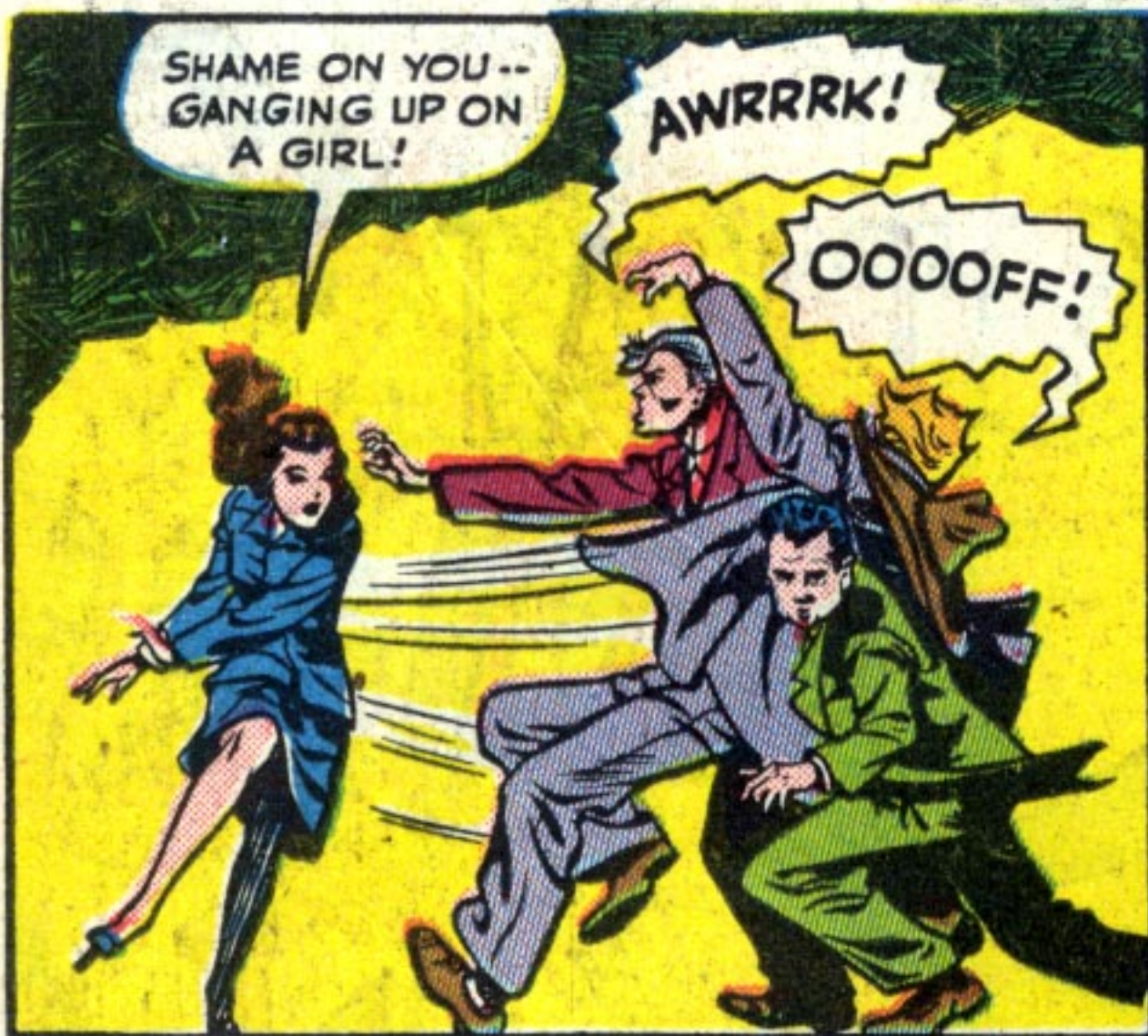


AND TO THINK I FELT SORRY FOR YOU!



NOW YOU KNOW HOW I FEEL -- BEING TAKEN IN BY A RAT LIKE YOU!

GET HER, JEFF! IF SHE TAKES US IN, WE'LL GO TO PRISON!



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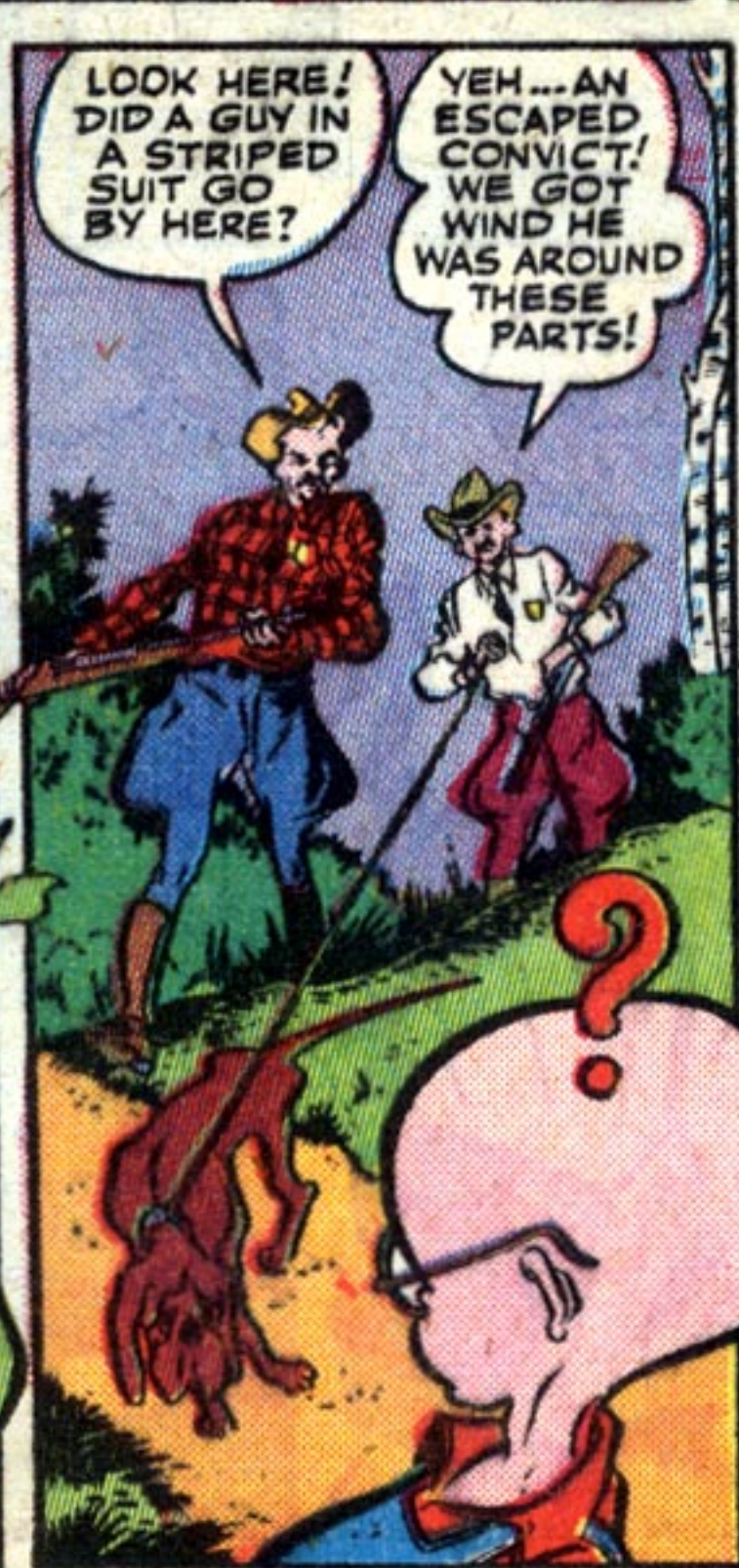
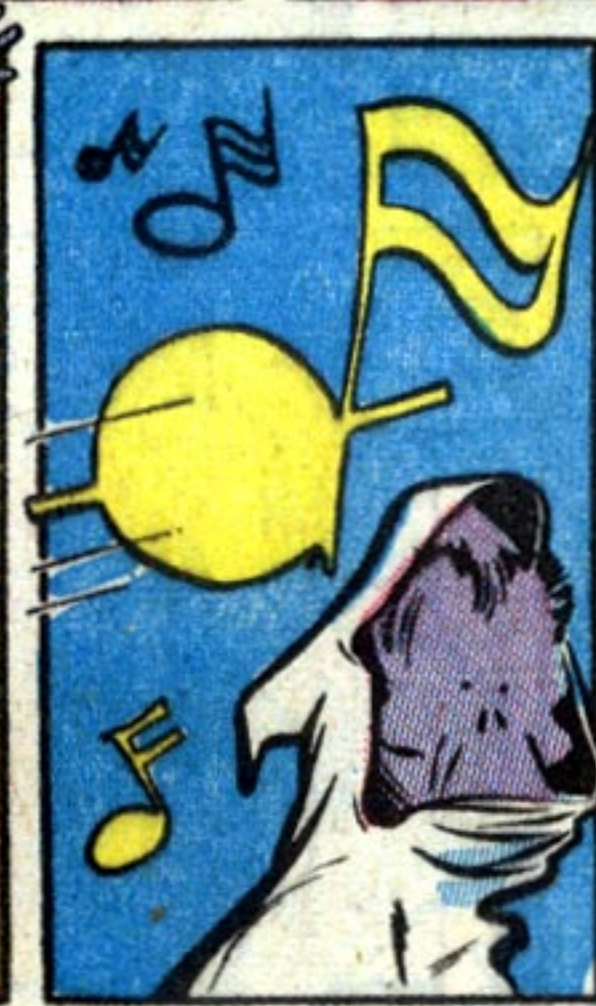
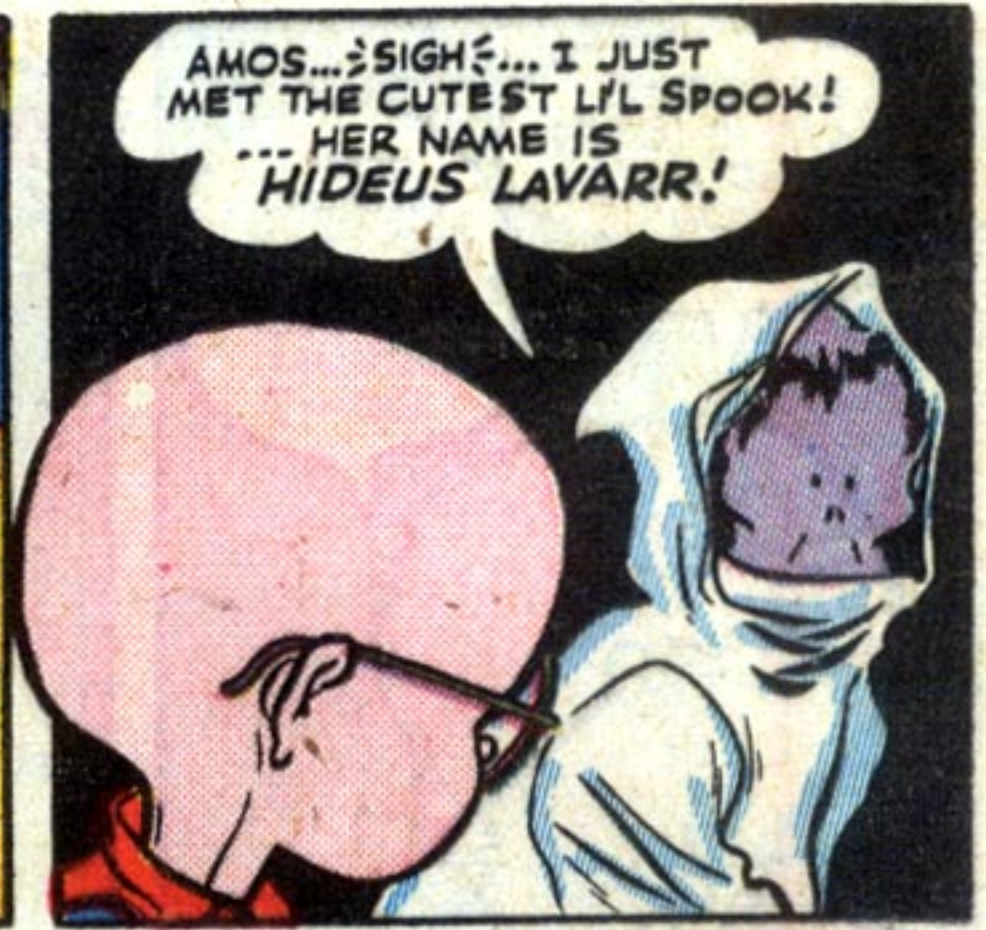
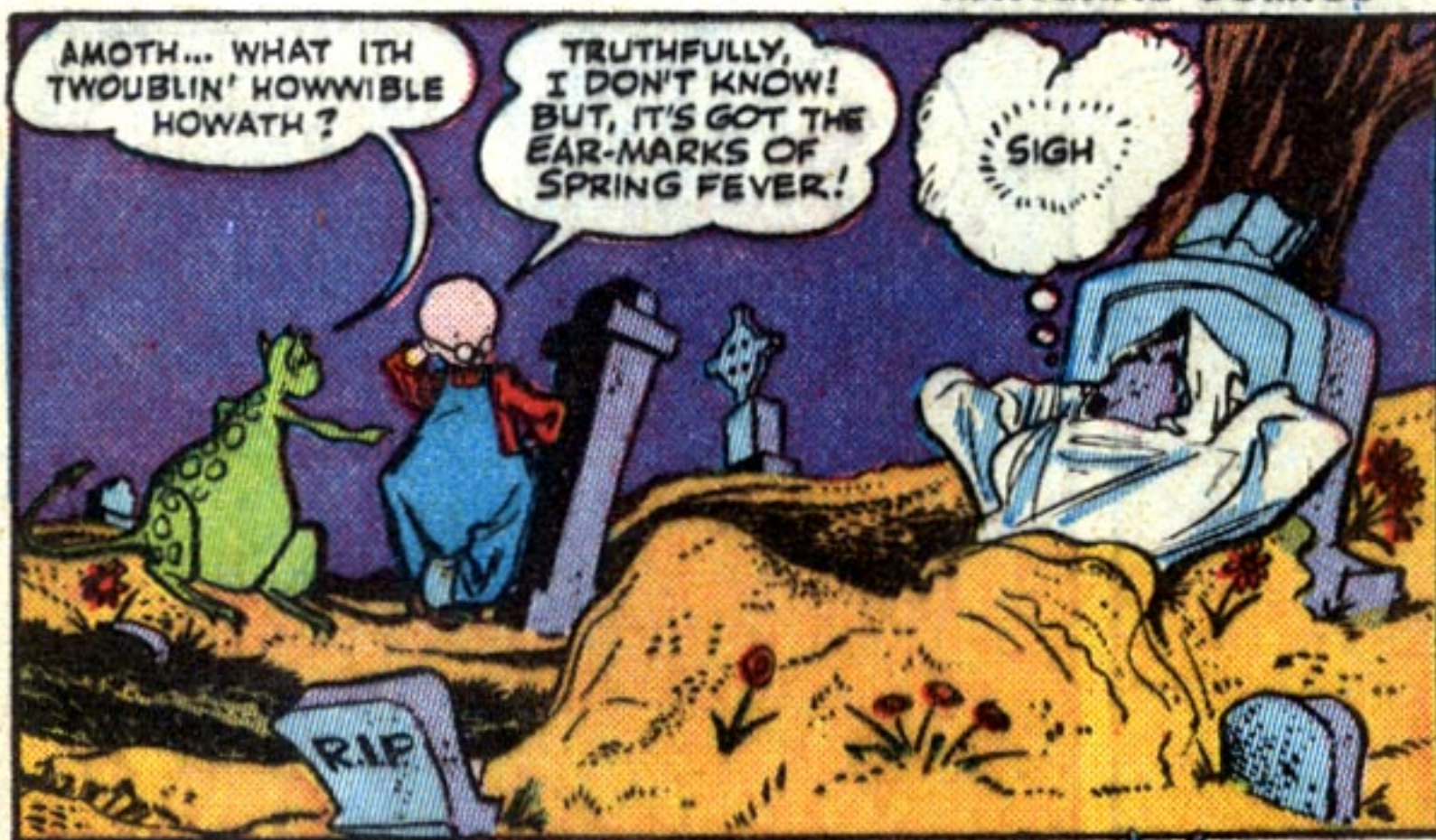


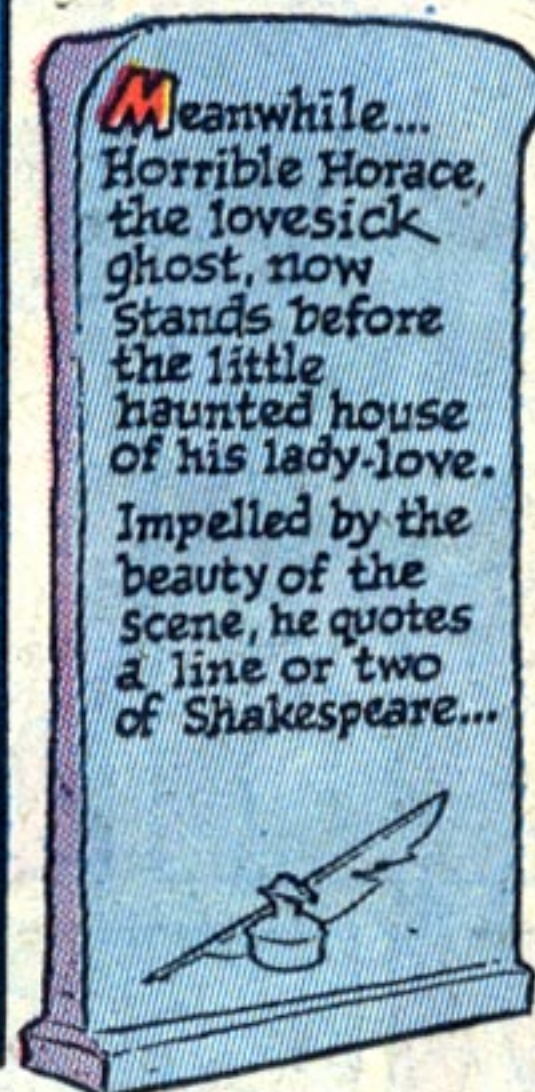
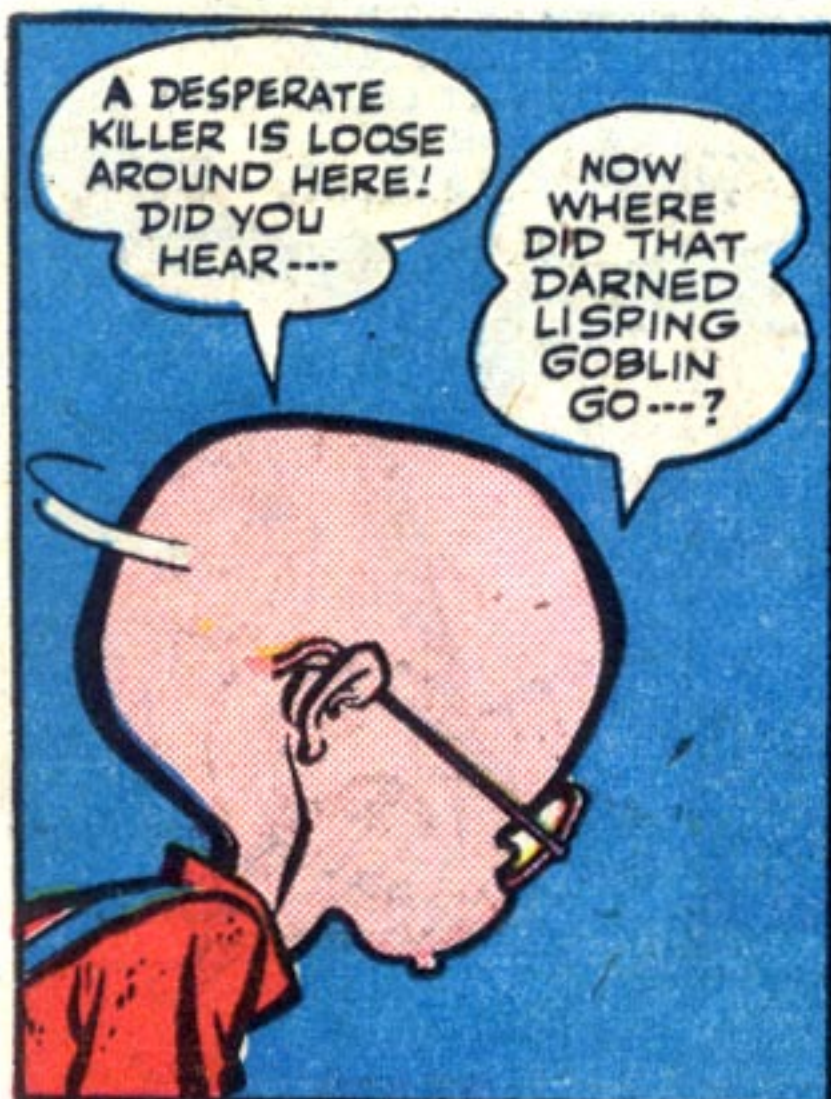
by
ANDRÉ
LEBLANC



CURSES!

HANG ON TO
YOUR HATS!!
Passengers will
please fasten
all safety belts!
Amos is at
the wheel of
another thriller!







Suddenly... A frightful sound shatters the air!



Fearfully, the timid spook approaches the stairway whence issues the awful clatter!



And peers into the blackness ...

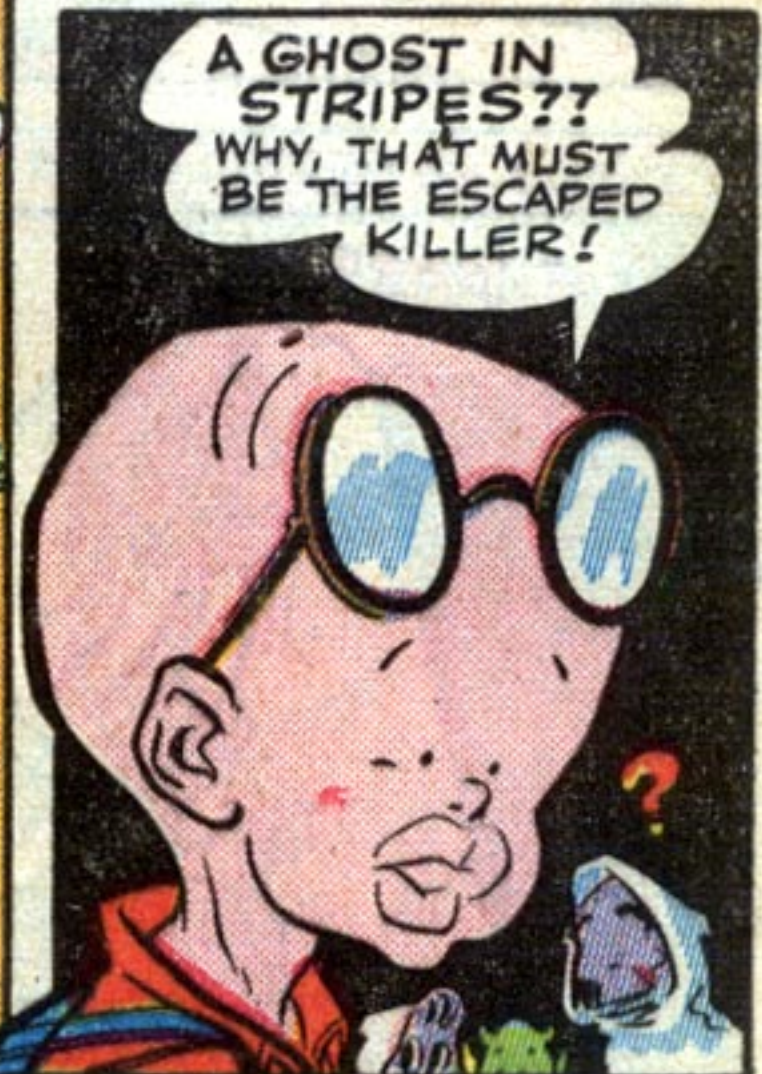


The waiting friends are electrified by the sheer paralyzing terror in that horrid anguished scream!

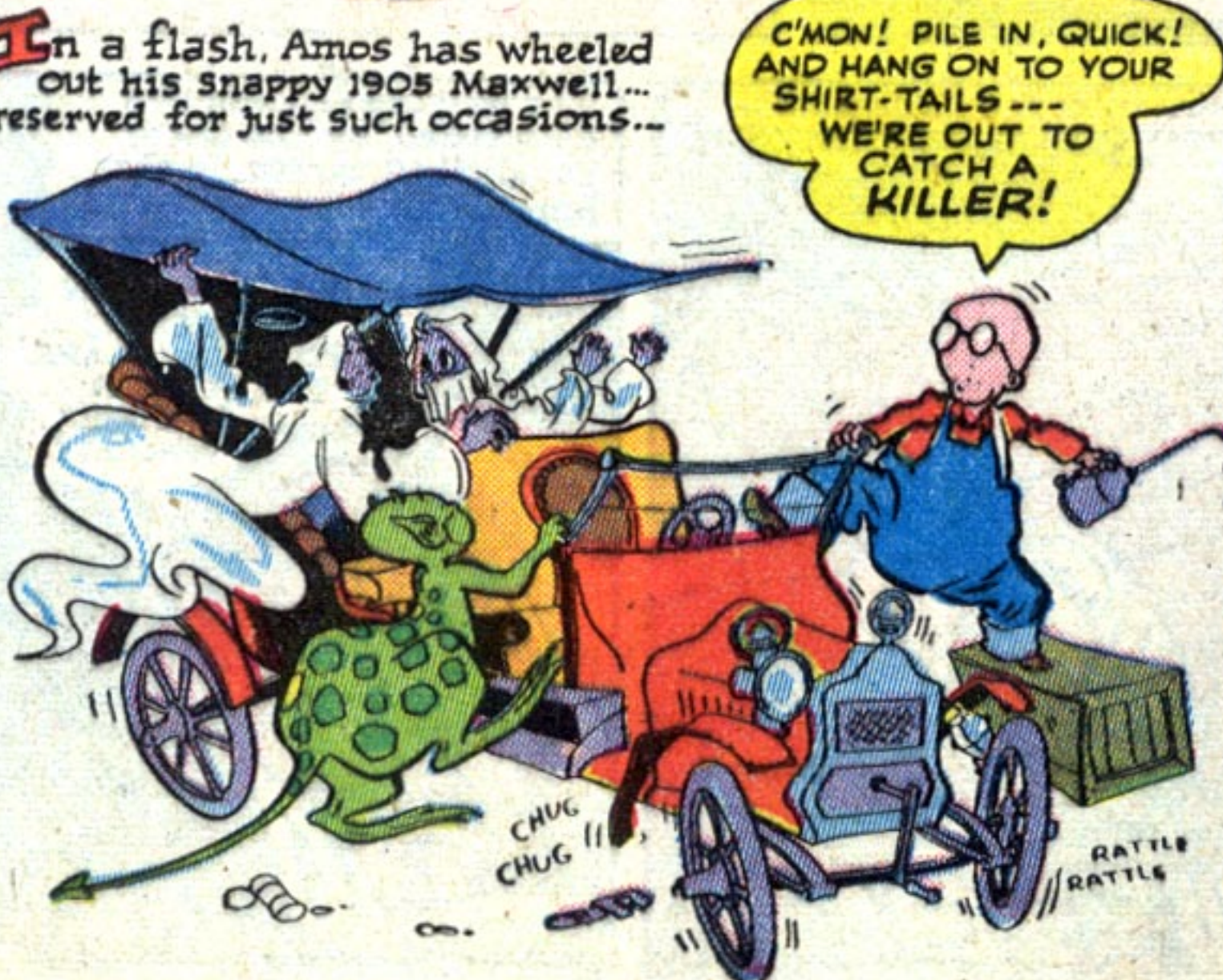




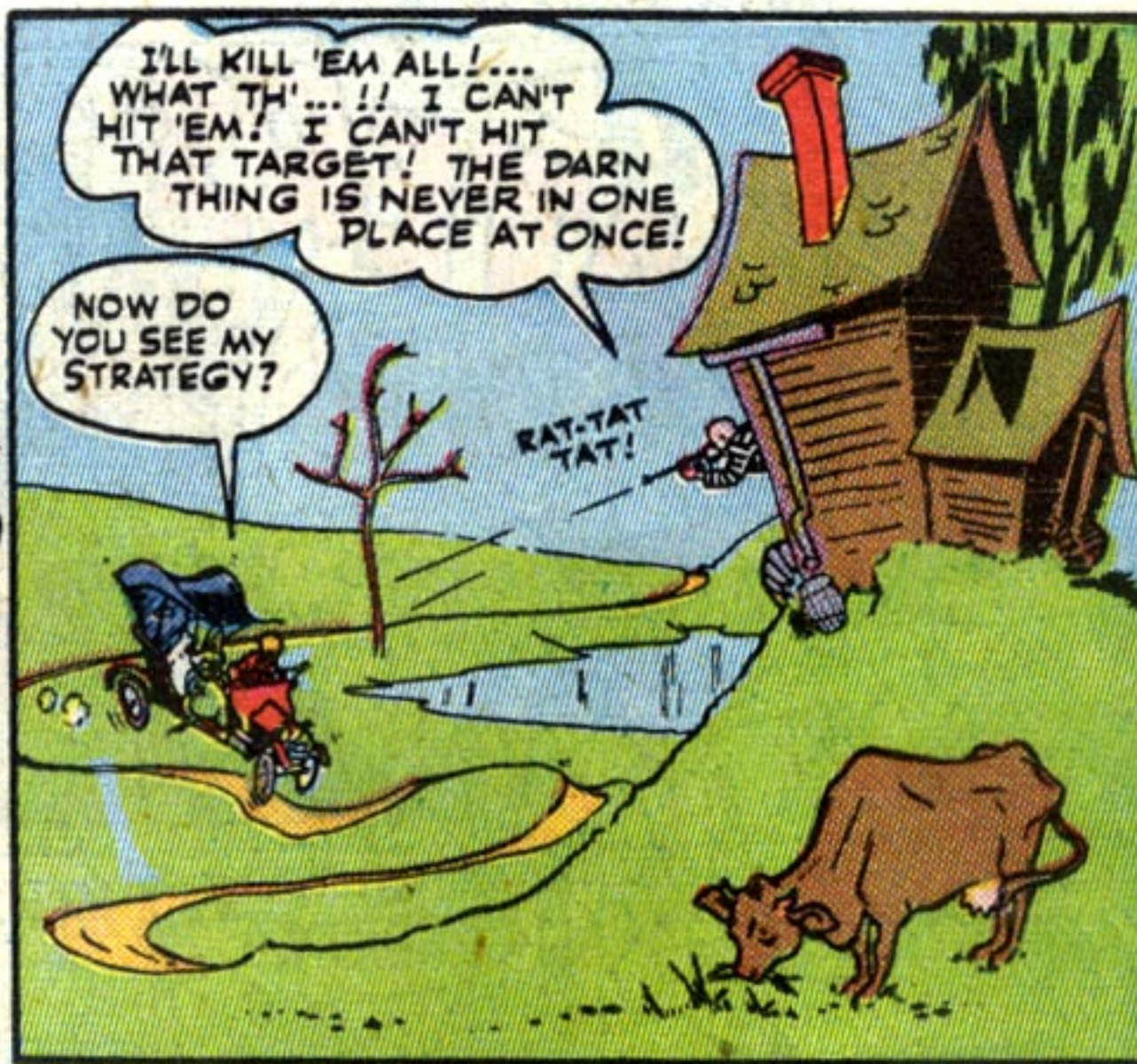
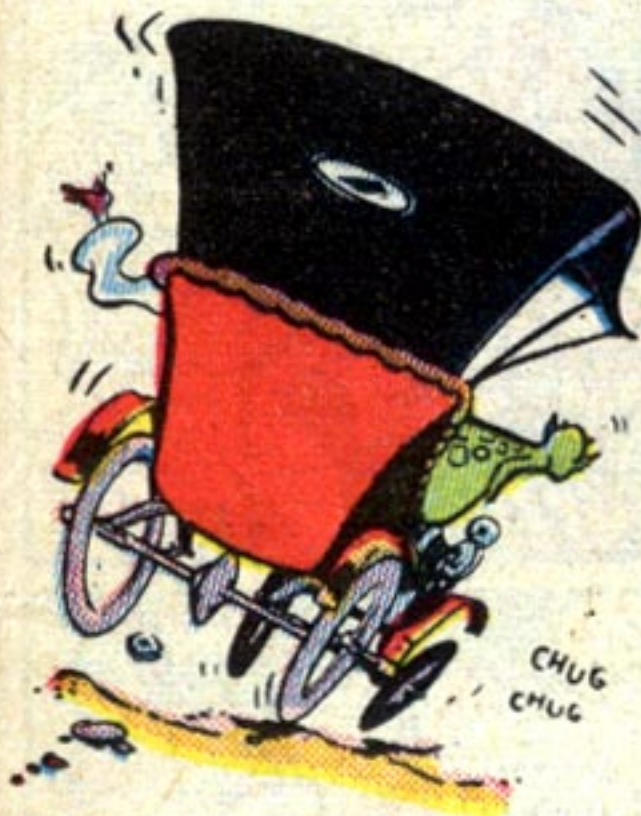
Meanwhile...in the blackness
of the cellar, the "ghost"
continues his engrossing
task, oblivious to all ...



In a flash, Amos has wheeled
out his snappy 1905 Maxwell...
reserved for just such occasions...



Bravely, Amos rides his galloping steed on to battle! But how can HE cope with a heavily armed desperado?



Salty Waters

THIS IS THE TRUE STORY OF HOW THE JAPANESE MADE A CERTAIN SOUTH PACIFIC TRIBE SEE THE LIGHT AND QUIT EATING THEIR FELLOW MEN ... AND HOW ONE AMERICAN ALMOST UNDOED THE GOOD WORK ...

GOSH, SHORTY, LOOK AT THEM SAVAGES-- AND WE AIN'T ARMED!

WE'RE DONE FOR, SALTY!

CANNIBALS? US? OH, NO!... WE USTA BE --- BUT NO MORE!

WELL, THAT'S A RELIEF!

JAPANESEZ! MEN CURE US OF DAT BAD HABIT!

THE JAPS RE-FORMED YOU? GIVE US A TELL!

WELL, ONE DAY, MY BOYS CATCHUM COUPLA JAP FELLAS ... FIRST STRANGERS WE SEE IN MANY MOONS!

SO--

MMM... NICE, PLUMP, LITTLE PIGEONS ... PUT 'UM POT ON TO BOIL!

HISS!

HISS!

HEY, CHIEF! WE'VE BEEN GYPPED!

WE PEELED 'EM -- AND NOW LOOK!

COULDN'T FEED A CANARY!

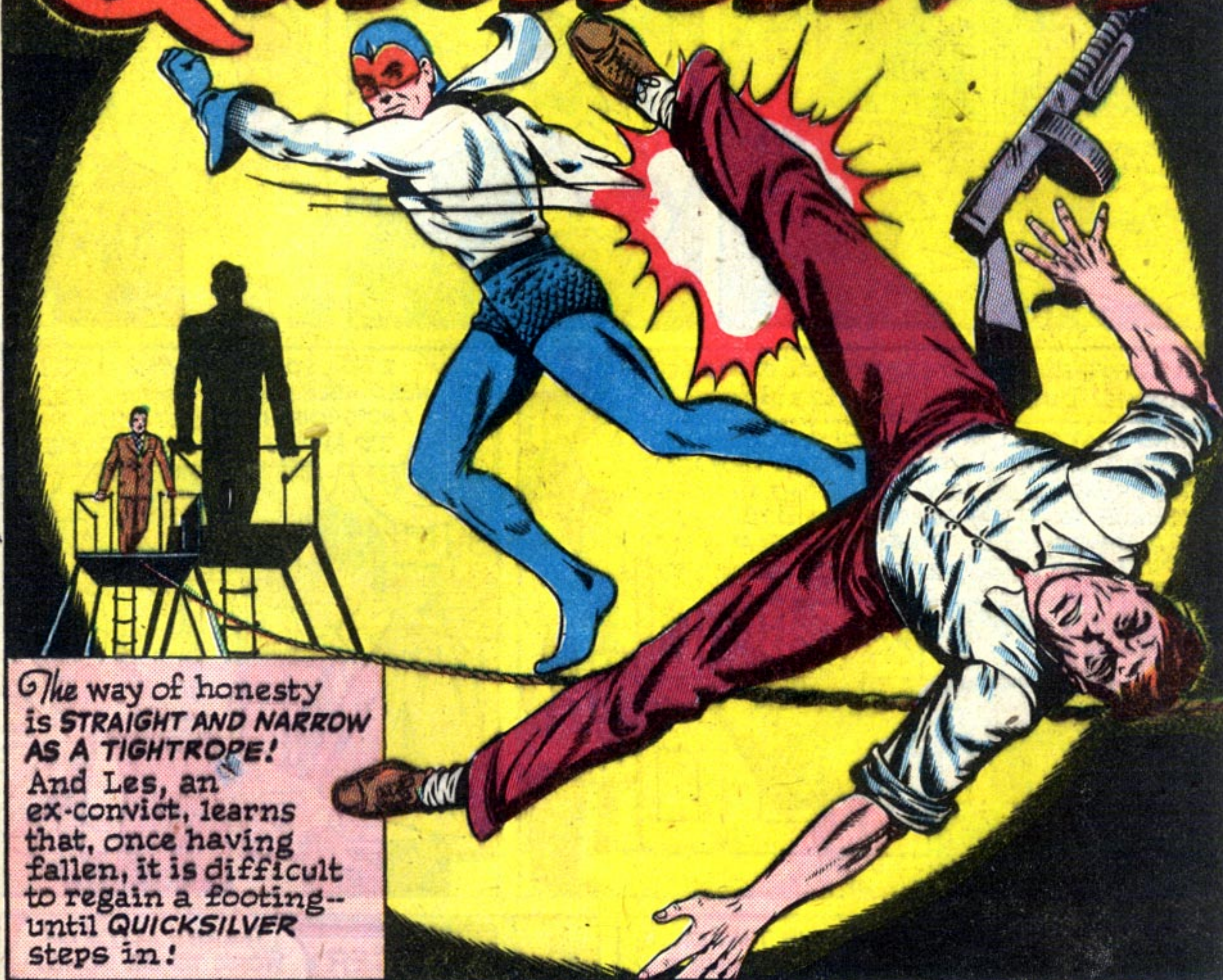
SO... WE FIGURED WHEN THEY START SENDING US MEAT LIKE THAT, IT'S TIME TO TURN VEGETARIAN! ... NOW WE EAT BANANAS AND BEETLENUTS!

THAT'S ONE THING WE CAN THANK THE JAPS FOR!

! LO, SALTY... WHAT'S COOKIN'?

YOU'LL COOK FIRST IF THEY CATCH US, YA SAP!

Quicksilver



The way of honesty
is **STRAIGHT AND NARROW**
AS A TIGHTROPE!

And Les, an
ex-convict, learns
that, once having
fallen, it is difficult
to regain a footing--
until **QUICKSILVER**
steps in!

The population of the state
prison is being reduced by one...

CONGRATULATIONS ON WINNING YOUR
PAROLE, LES! WE COUNT ON YOU TO
KEEP OUT OF TROUBLE!



THANKS,
WARDEN,
I'LL NOT
DISAPPOINT
YOU!

I'VE BEEN
WAITING FOR
YOU, LES!
REMEMBER
ME?



OF COURSE, RISA!...
YOU WERE A WITNESS
AGAINST ME WHEN I
WAS CONVICTED OF
FORGERY!



FORGET IT! YOU WERE
HOOKED! - IF I HADN'T
DONE WHAT I DID, THE
WHOLE GANG WOULD
HAVE BEEN SENT UP!

NO HARD FEELINGS--
I DESERVED WHAT
I GOT! BUT - I'M
NOT GOING YOUR
WAY, RISA!





And someone else has come to witness the release

YOU'LL BE SOR-RY!

I HOPE LES REALLY HAS PROFITED BY HIS BAD LUCK!



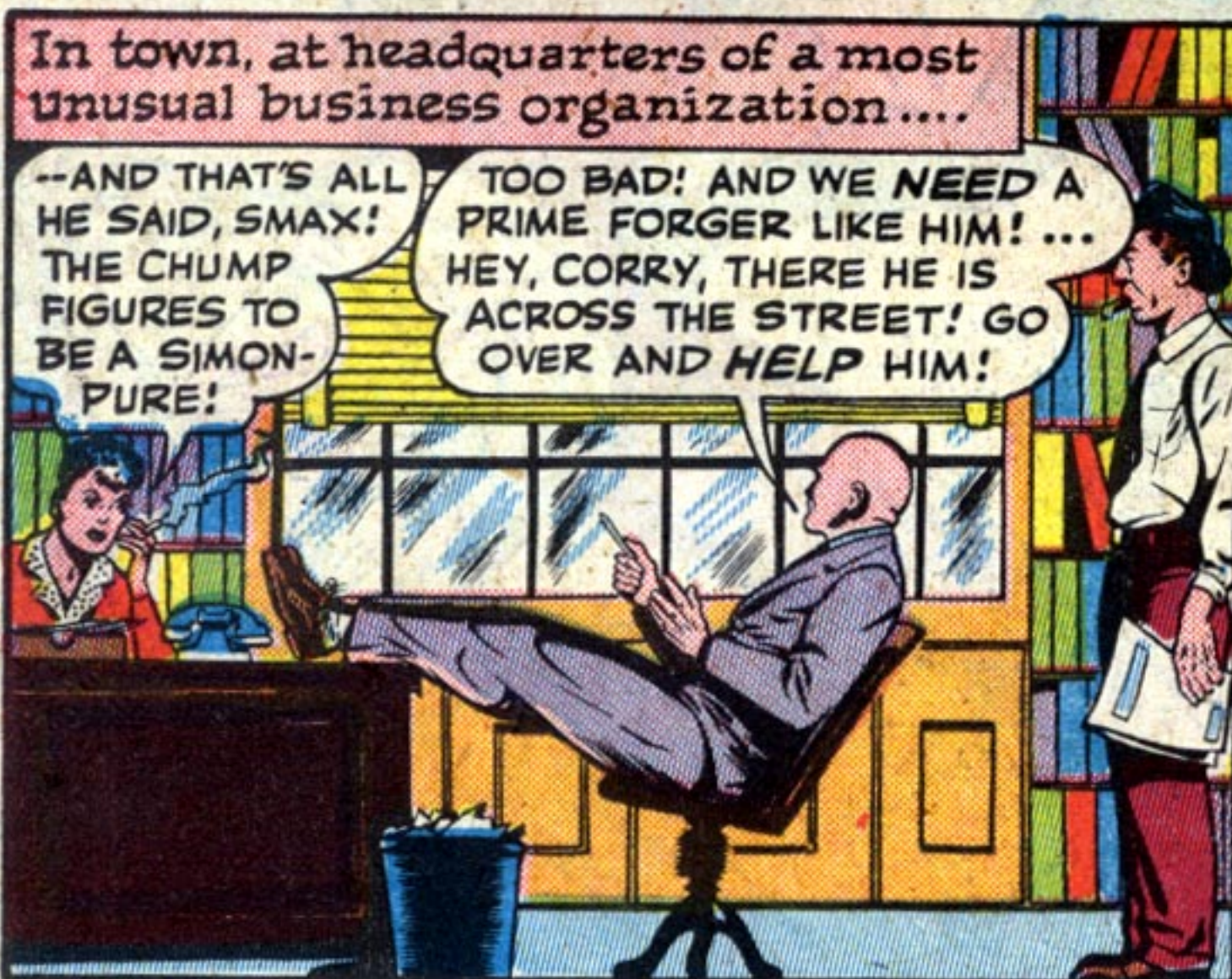
QUICKSILVER! ARE YOU GOING TO ROUGH ME UP AGAIN?

I ROUGHED YOU UP ONLY WHEN YOU NEEDED IT! YOUR RECORD'S CLEAN NOW! BUT I ALWAYS THOUGHT YOU WEREN'T THE ONLY ONE IN THE CASE!



AND MAYBE YOU'RE READY NOW TO HELP ME CATCH THE REAL BRAINS BEHIND THAT MOB YOU USED TO RUN WITH! --

SORRY, QUICKSILVER! ALL I WANT IS A CHANCE TO FORGET!



In town, at headquarters of a most unusual business organization

--AND THAT'S ALL HE SAID, SMAX! THE CHUMP FIGURES TO BE A SIMON-PURE!

TOO BAD! AND WE NEED A PRIME FORGER LIKE HIM! ... HEY, CORRY, THERE HE IS ACROSS THE STREET! GO OVER AND HELP HIM!



I SEE YOU NEED HELP HERE, AND THOUGHT I'D APPLY!

HIYA, LES? WHEN DIDJA GET OUTA THE BIG HOUSE?

BUY

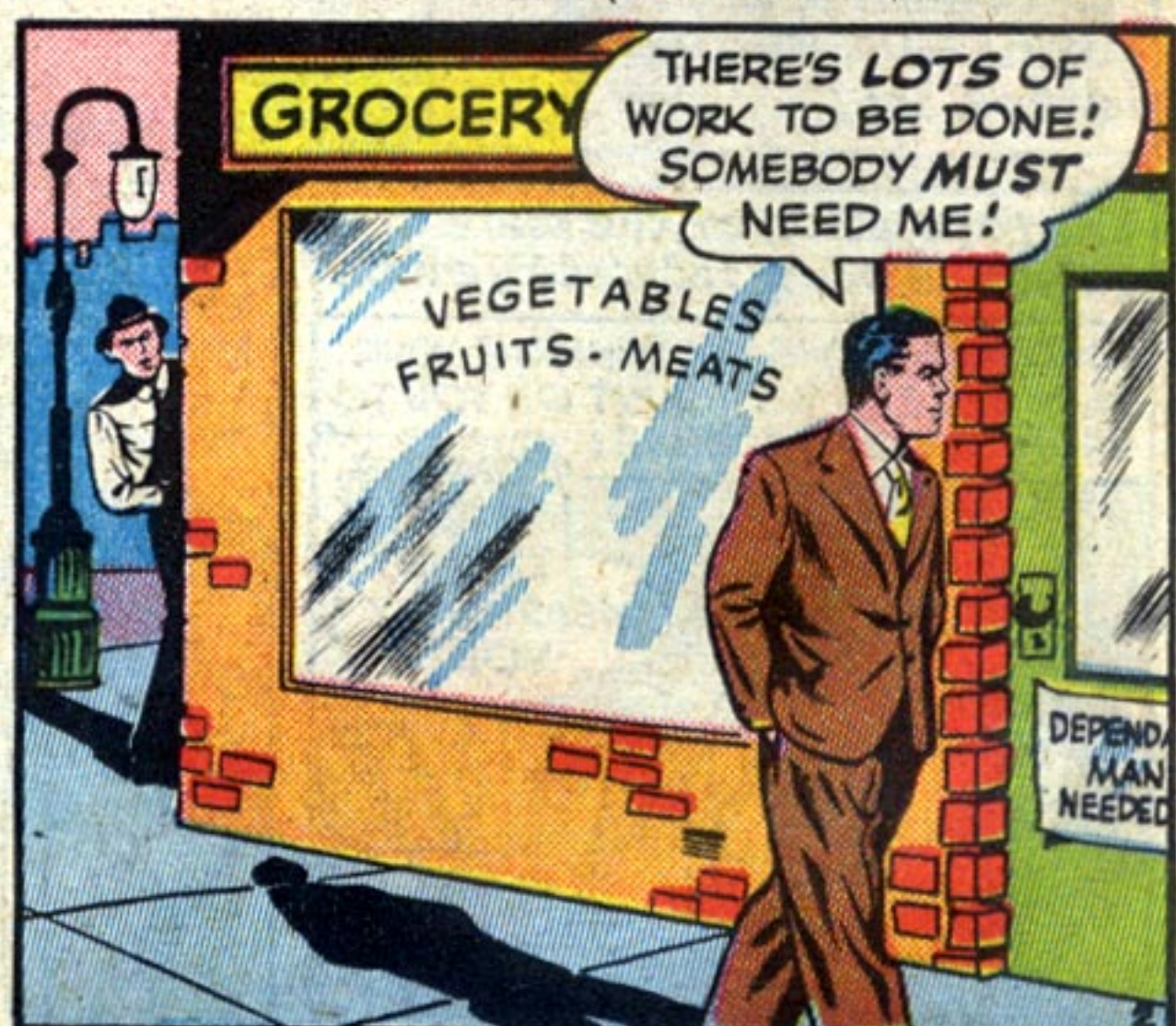


KNOW THIS KID? SURE! HE JUST FINISHED A STRETCH IN THE SNEEZER -- GOT OUT TODAY!

WELL, IN THAT CASE, I HARDLY THINK I CAN USE HIM! GOOD DAY!

BUY BONDS

PROM

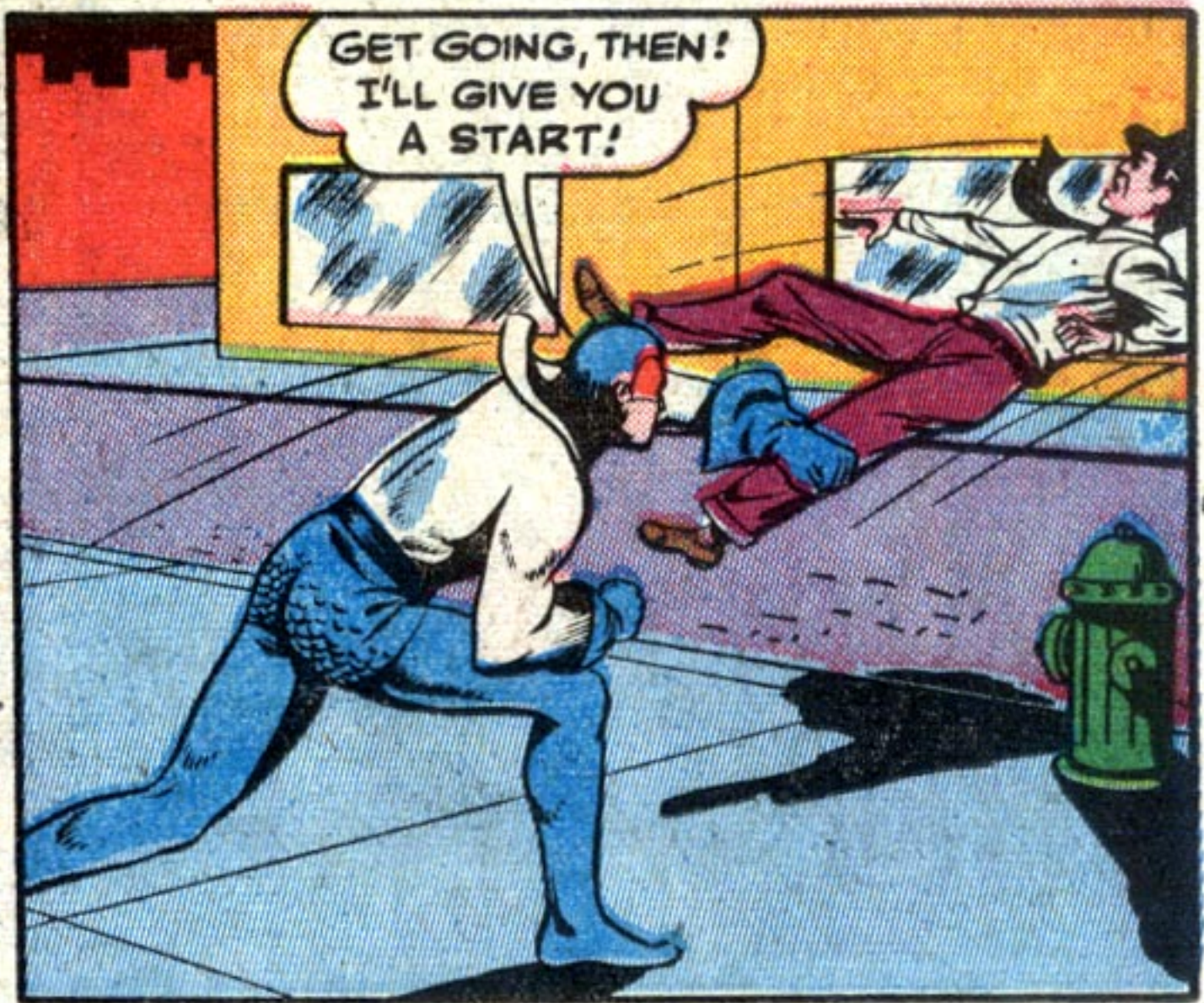


GROCERY

THERE'S LOTS OF WORK TO BE DONE! SOMEBODY MUST NEED ME!

VEGETABLES
FRUITS - MEATS

DEPENDA
MAN
NEEDED



Night falls on a sad, weary outcast....

I'M SUNK! NO WORK-- THAT MEANS NO MONEY, NO FOOD, NO PLACE TO SLEEP--

PSST!

NEED A JOB BUDDY?

ARE YOU KIDDING ABOUT A JOB? BECAUSE I'M DESPERATE!--

INTO THE ELEVATOR, CHUM! YOUR NEW BOSS IS UP IN THE PENTHOUSE!

HERE HE IS, FOLKS! READY TO BE REASONABLE!

WELCOME, HOME, LES! WE'RE READY TO DO **BIG THINGS** FOR YOU!

NOT MORE FORGERY! THE LAST TIME I FAKED A CHECK, IT GOT ME THREE YEARS!

NOTHING AS SMALL-TIME AS BUM CHECKS, SONNY! LOOK HERE!

WE'RE GOING TO WORK ON THE **WARDEN**-- THE MAN WHO KEPT YOU LOCKED UP! WE'LL BLACKMAIL HIM SILLY!

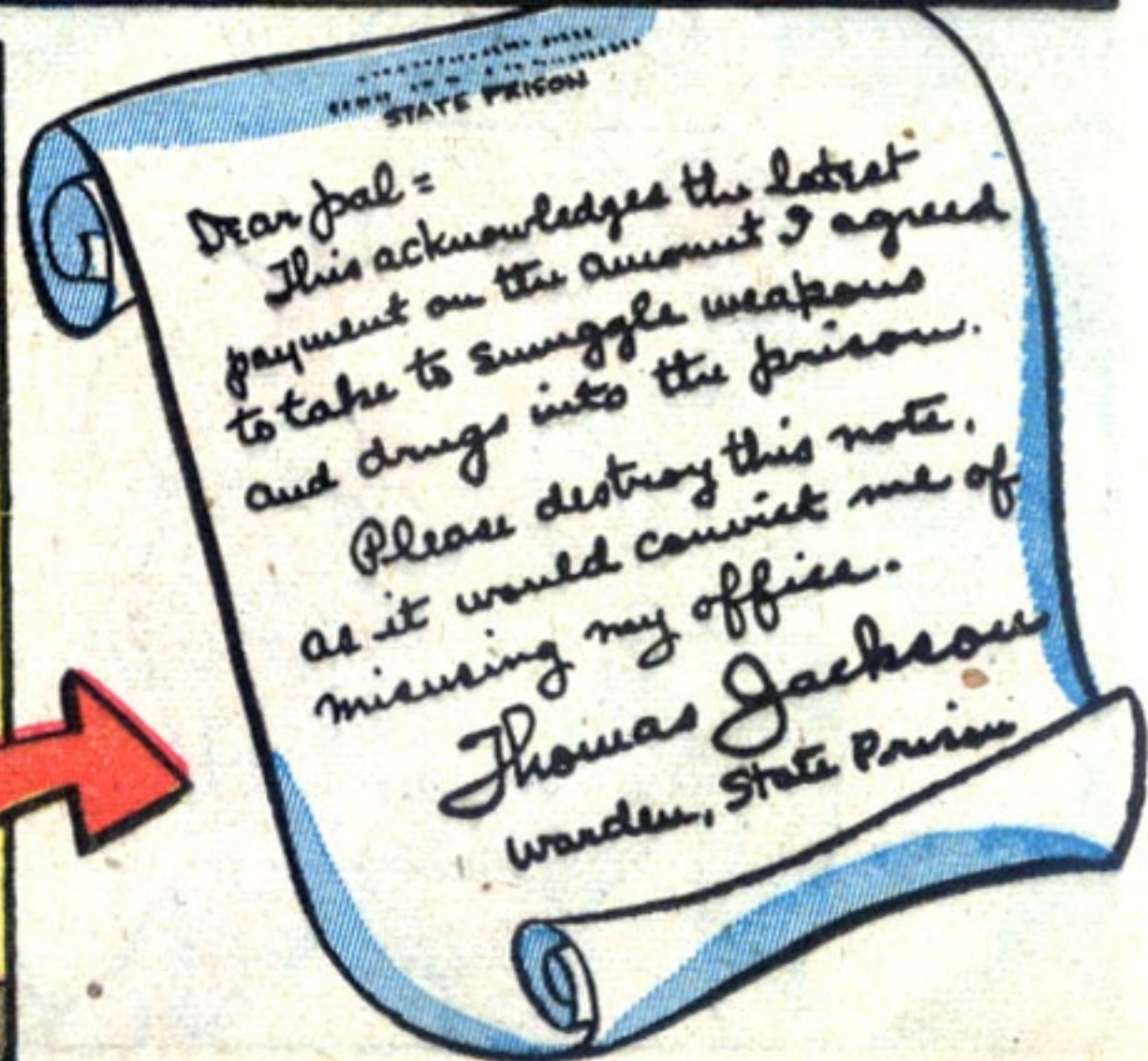
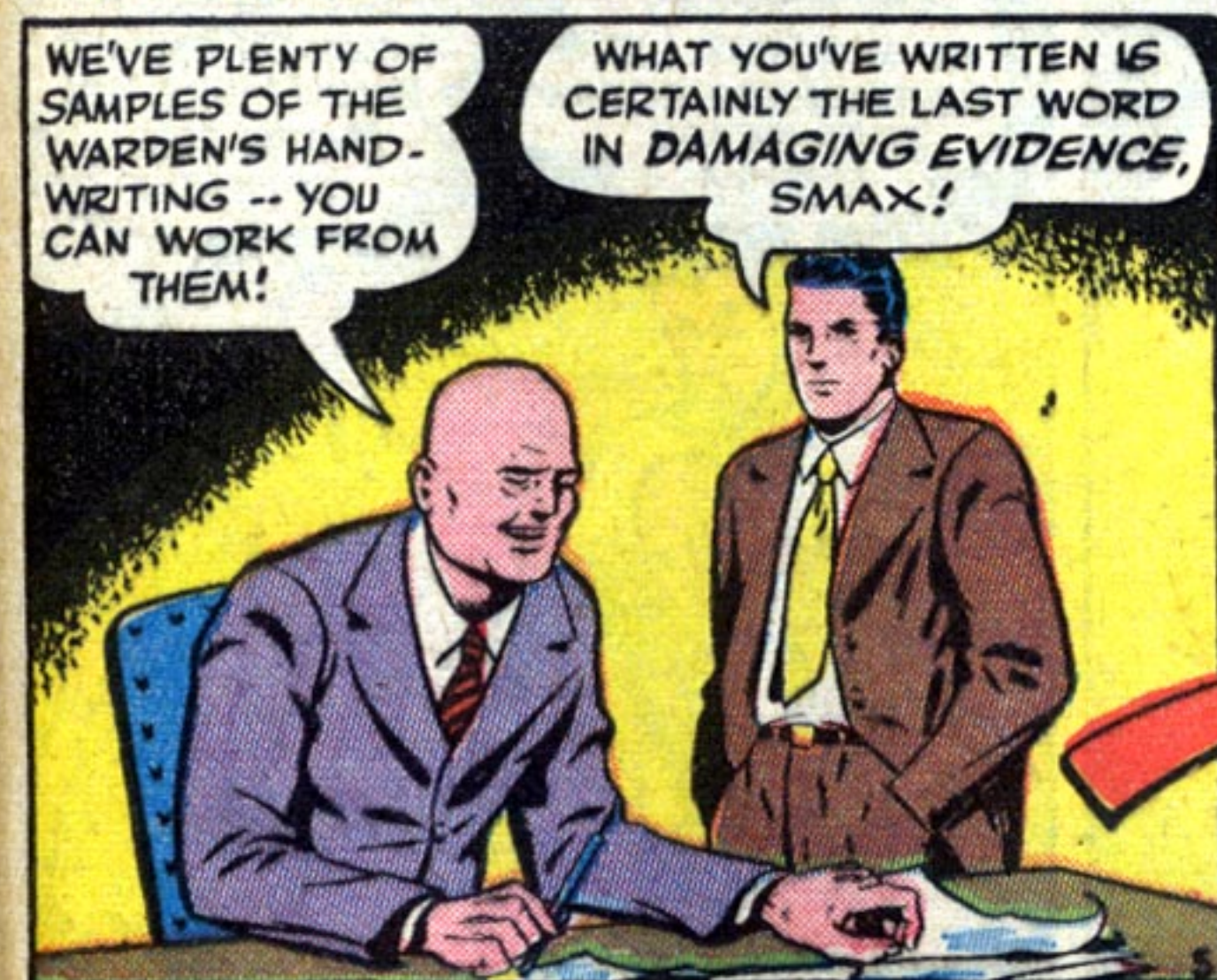
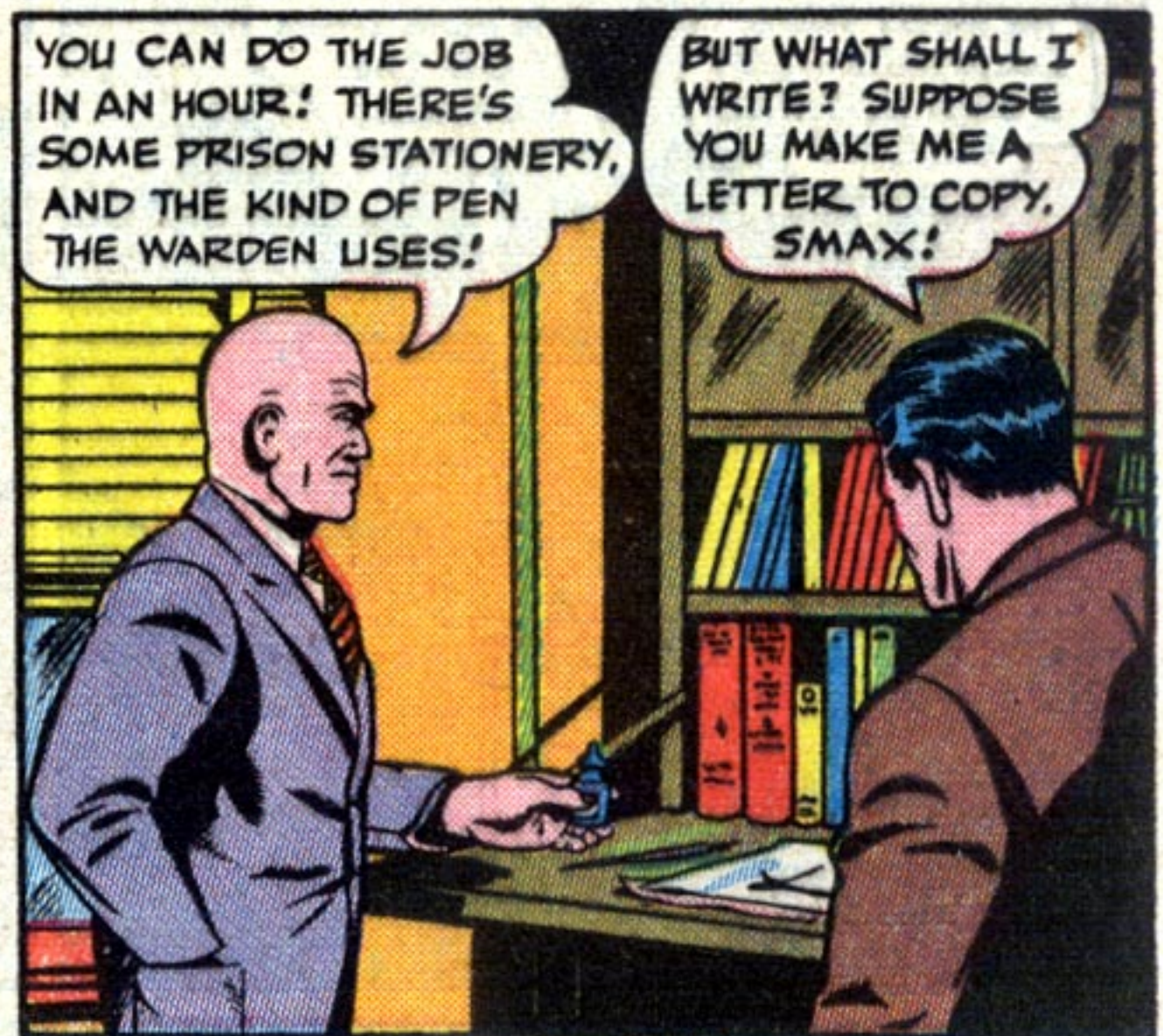
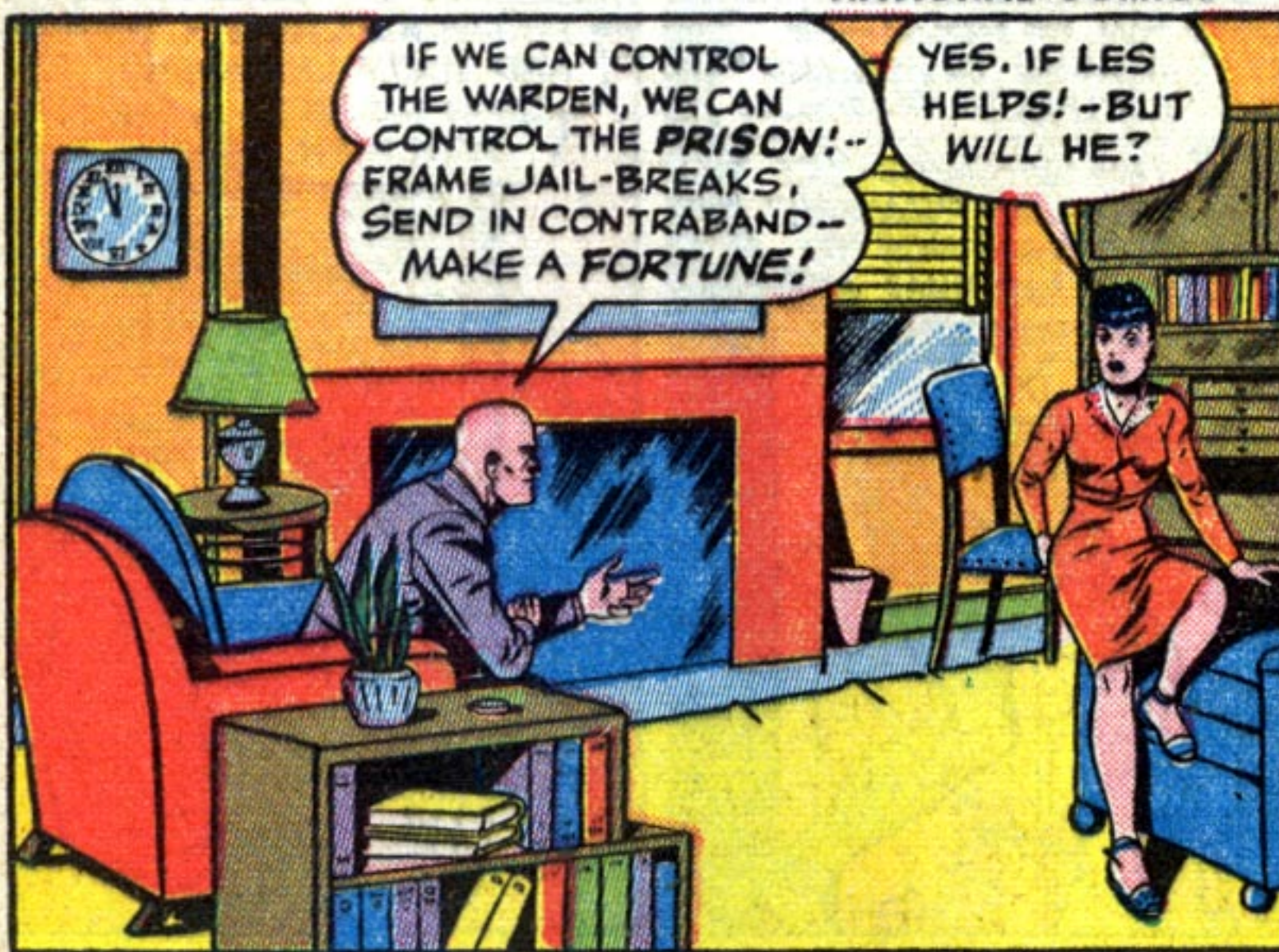
IMPOSSIBLE! THE **WARDEN** NEVER DID ANYTHING TO GIVE YOU A HOLD ON HIM!

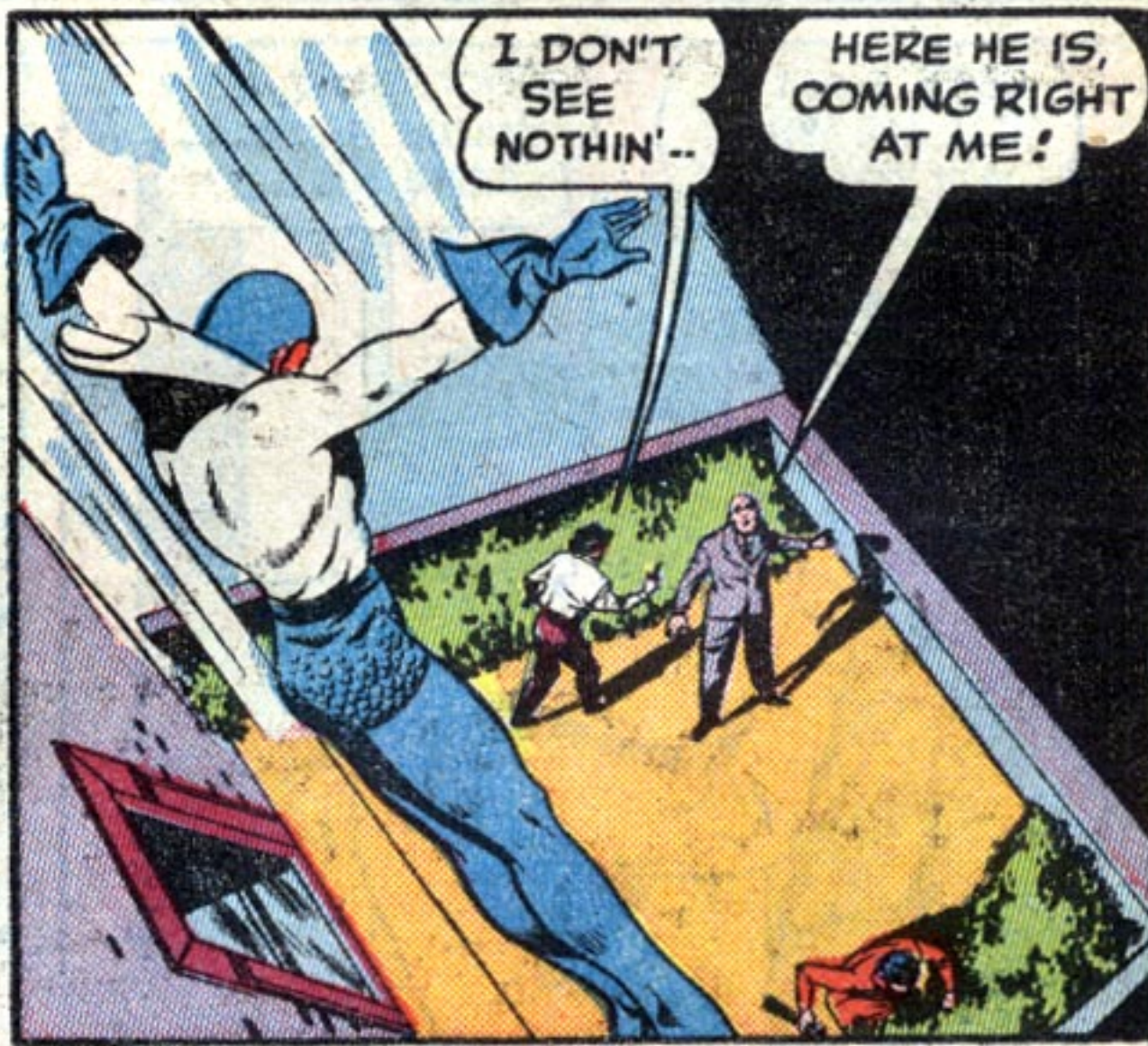
THAT'S WHERE YOU COME IN, LES -- YOU CAN **COPY HIS HANDWRITING PERFECTLY!**

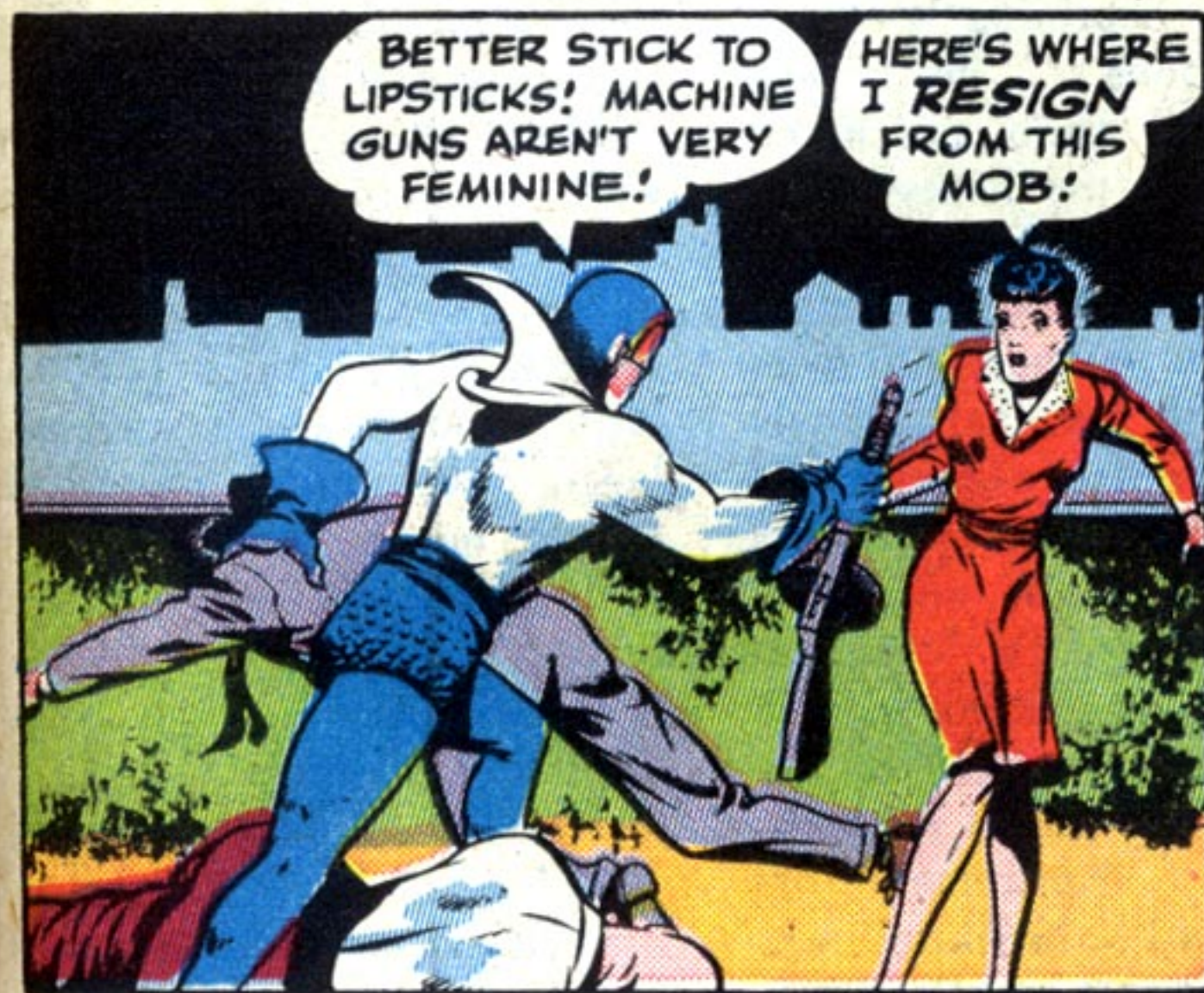
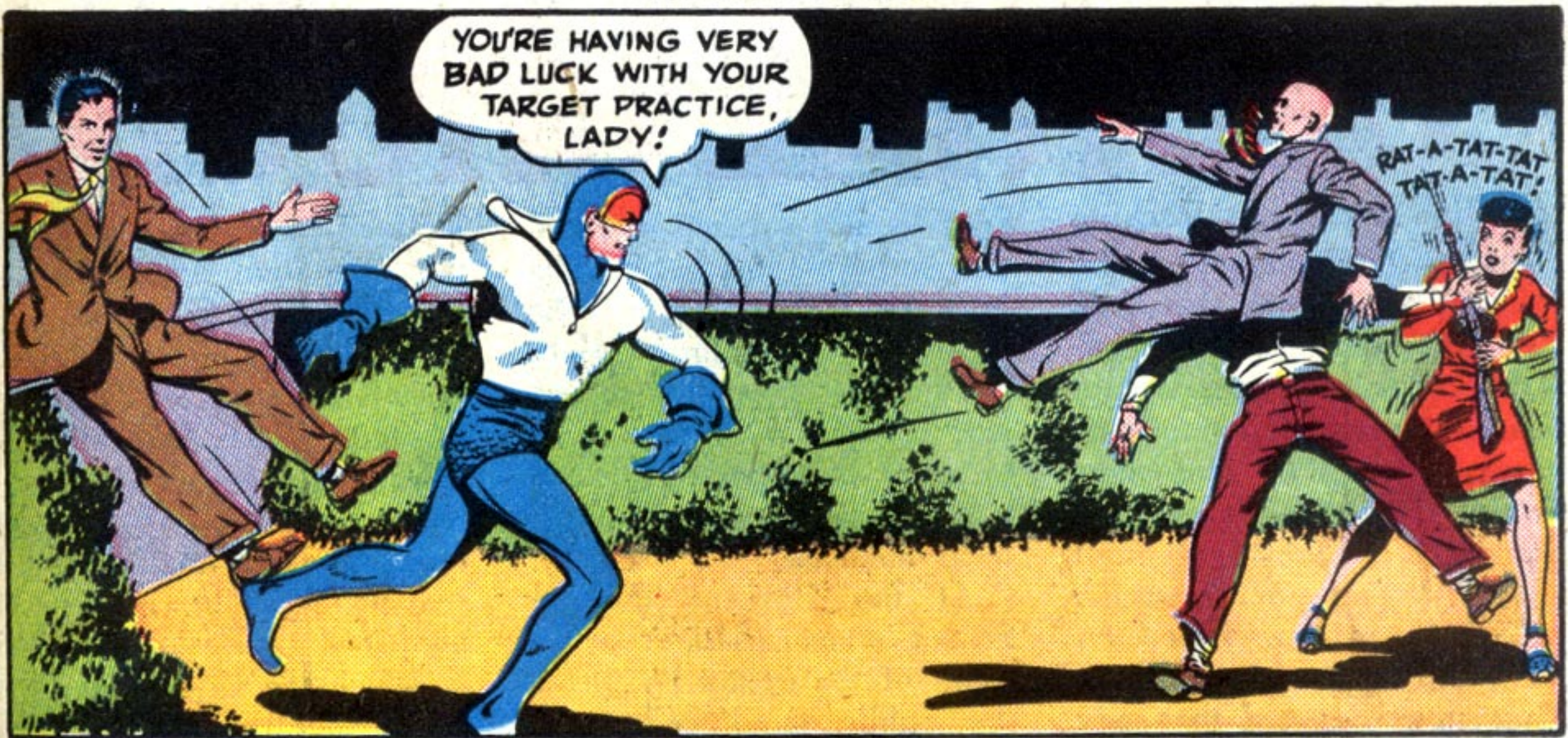
YES, FORGE A LETTER FROM HIM, SAYING HE'S TAKING GRAFT! THEN WE'LL USE IT TO **SHAKE HIM DOWN!**

I HAVE TO HAVE A LITTLE TIME TO DECIDE!

WE'LL GIVE YOU **ONE HOUR!** COME BACK THEN AND TELL US YES OR NO!







COLONIAL GHOULS

THERE was little teaching of practical anatomy in the colonial period, and that little was unknown outside the medical profession. Occasionally a preceptor with his pupils or a small group of physicians would dissect a body, but practical anatomy was not known to the general public.

In 1750 in New York City, Dr. John Bard and Dr. Peter Middleton dissected the body of an executed murderer. They lectured over this dissection and there was some public disapproval. In 1754 William Hunter lectured on anatomy at Newport, Rhode Island, but it is not recorded that he practiced dissections.

In 1784, there was passed in Massachusetts an "Act against Dueling." It provided that the body of one killed in a duel should be turned over to any surgeon who might apply for it to be dissected. In the absence of such a request the body was to be buried in the most public highway near the scene of the duel without a coffin and with a stake driven through the body. Thus dissection was made equivalent to the most disreputable burial that could be devised. Twenty years later the available supply was extended to the bodies of murderers.

There were more hangings than duels, but the fact that judges were not compelled to assign the bodies of criminals for dissection tended to make such material extremely scanty—only one or two bodies a

year—and a surgeon who had private pupils was just as likely to get the body, as was the professor of anatomy, since the sources of legally authorized material were insufficient to carry it on, or to conduct it with material secured by illegal methods.

At the Harvard Medical School about 1810, "on account of the agitated state of the public mind concerning abuses in obtaining material for dissections . . . costly wax preparations were purchased to supersede the necessity of dissecting human subjects."

Because it was impossible to procure enough cadavers legally, the medical schools did not require dissection in the early 19th century, and in many schools not until late in that century. To do so implied a guarantee to furnish material which would be secured only by illegal methods. To make a requirement that implied law-breaking was likely to arouse public disapproval of medical schools, or even to endanger their charters. Therefore medical schools were careful as to what was said in print concerning dissection in connection with teaching, since medical school catalogues reached the laity as well as the profession.

By the laity every medical student was considered a potential, if not an actual, grave robber, and was considered of lower morality than students in other educational institutions. Medical students were

inclined to try to live up to this reputation, and were given to drinking to excess, profanity and public boisterousness. They were less welcome in polite society than law students or those following theology or the arts. The current popular opinion of medical students is shown in a novel published in Boston in 1846 in which the chief characters are medical students and the concurrent themes are body snatching and prostitution.

Mob action in connection with dissection arose from time to time. The first recorded in the United States was in New York City in 1788. A large mob attacked and pillaged a dissecting room and raised havoc for two days until dispersed by military force.

Before daylight on Nov. 29, 1830, about 300 men of Hubbardton, Vermont gathered and, headed by the sheriff of the county, marched five miles to the town of Castleton. Here they searched the building of the Vermont Academy of Medicine, and found the body of a recently interred woman whose grave in Hubbardton had been found empty.

Mob action connected with unauthorized disinterment was not confined to New England. In the autumn of 1839 a crowd from neighboring towns attacked the medical school at Worthington, Ohio. They found two bodies. Thereupon the leaders of the mob directed the faculty to load all the mov-

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able possessions of the school into wagons, whereupon an armed group accompanied the wagons and the faculty to the county line and warned them never to return. They never did.

In Feb., 1852, in Cleveland, Ohio, a mob attacked the rooms on the upper floors of a business block occupied by the recently organized Western College of Homeopathic Medicine. No bodies were found, but the mob destroyed all the equipment of the school, damaged the building and attempted to burn it. The wreckage was so complete that the school never reoccupied the premises. Meanwhile at the Medical Department of Western Reserve College, a half-mile distant, in anticipation of a similar attack, 80 muskets and ammunition were secured from an armory. The white-haired dean, musket in hand, stood on the front steps of the building, with his armed students behind him awaiting the mob, which did not come when its scouts advised it of the preparations for its reception. Instead it started for the residence of the dean of the Western College of Homeopathic Medicine, intent on destroying his private property, and was stopped only when met by a company of militia.

At Ipswich, Mass., on the night of Jan. 10, 1818, lights were seen in the hillside graveyard of Chebacco Parish. It was suspected that the grave of Sally Andrews, who had died on Christmas Day, had been disturbed. When spring came and the snow disappeared her grave was opened and found empty. Then suspicion arose and all the graves of

burials that winter were opened and eight coffins were found empty.

In the Supreme Judicial Court, sitting in Salem in Nov., 1818, the jury returned three separate indictments, each involving a different body, against Dr. Thomas Sewall, the local physician in Chebacco. On the plea of counsel that one indictment was not accurately drawn, it was nolle prossed. The two other indictments were continued to the April term of 1819. Dr. Sewall was tried in November, 1819, a year and seven months after the discovery of the empty graves. Daniel Davis, solicitor general of the Commonwealth, was attorney for the state and Daniel Webster for the defendant. The indictments charged that "Thomas Sewall did knowingly and wilfully receive, conceal, and dispose of the human body and remains thereof of one Sally Andrews" and "of one William Burnham." The charge was possession rather than disinterment. Dr. Sewall was found guilty on both indictments, and was fined \$400 and costs in each case.

Another series of events related to dissection had an indirect connection with the episode at Chebacco. In the *Essex Register* of Salem of May 9, 1818, appeared an editorial which began as follows:

"The great alarm at Chebacco has made the subject of disturbing the dead a very serious concern. Something must be done to render the public mind quiet on the subject. Few who regard the living will be disposed to deny that the human system should

be understood. To put beyond doubt the sufficiency of means and yet the safety of common graves the government must prevent the temptations to violate them by providing proper subjects for the Anatomist and Physician. They may be found among those who have forfeited their lives and liberties to the people. In continuation the medical profession is called upon to secure enactment of such a law."

There was no law in any New England state at this time regarding the bodies of convicts other than murderers. The first came in Connecticut in 1824. The advocacy, from a lay source, of legalization of practical anatomy was unusual, and may have been inspired by a young physician who had located in Salem a few weeks before and who later became the leading surgeon of that city.

This law was the beginning of the present-day anatomical laws of New England.

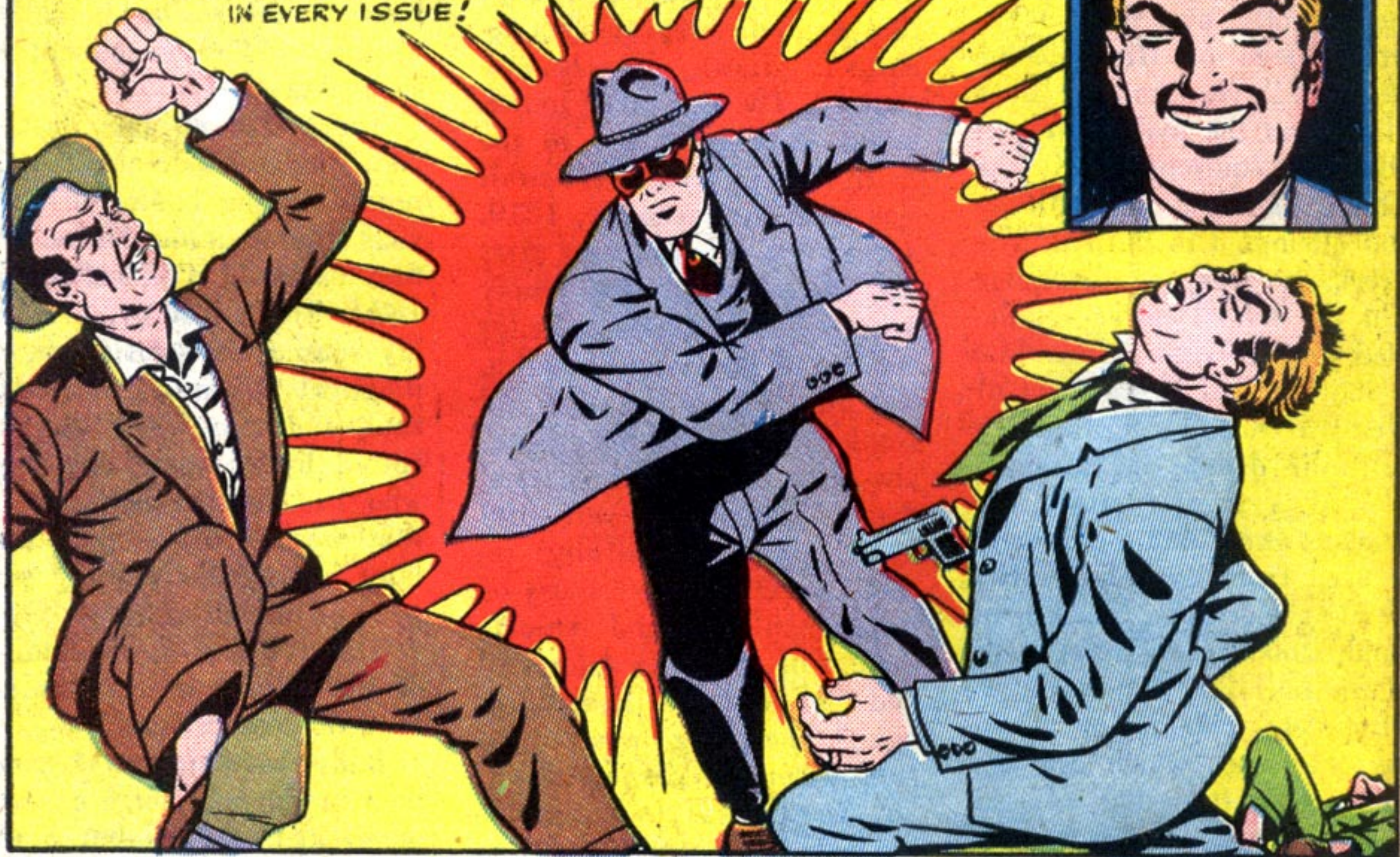
Body snatching was common in England some century or so ago. In Edinburgh the body snatching industry enriched the language by contributing the verb "to burk."

William Burke, in cahoots with William Hare, were engaged in the practice of inveigling a series of obscure friendless travelers to the lodging house, where they got them drunk. They suffocated them tenderly, so there would be no marks of violence, and delivered the bodies to certain doctors and hospitals, receiving for their ghoulish burdens the sum of from eight to fourteen pounds. Burke was hanged at Edinburgh on Jan. 28, 1829.

The WHISTLER

by
VERNON
HENKEL

NEW THRILLS - NEW ADVENTURES
A BRAND NEW COMIC CHARACTER... *The Whistler!*
MEET HIM HERE -- LEARN HIS WEIRD SECRET WEAPON
AGAINST THE TYCOONS OF CRIME -- FOLLOW HIM INTO
A WHIRLWIND FUTURE OF ACTION AND EXCITEMENT
IN EVERY ISSUE!



AN EDITOR'S LIFE IS NO BED
OF ROSES...

BOSS, THAT MALLORY
DRAKE'S HERE AGAIN!

EVENING
GLOBE
MAC
SHANE
MANAGING
EDITOR

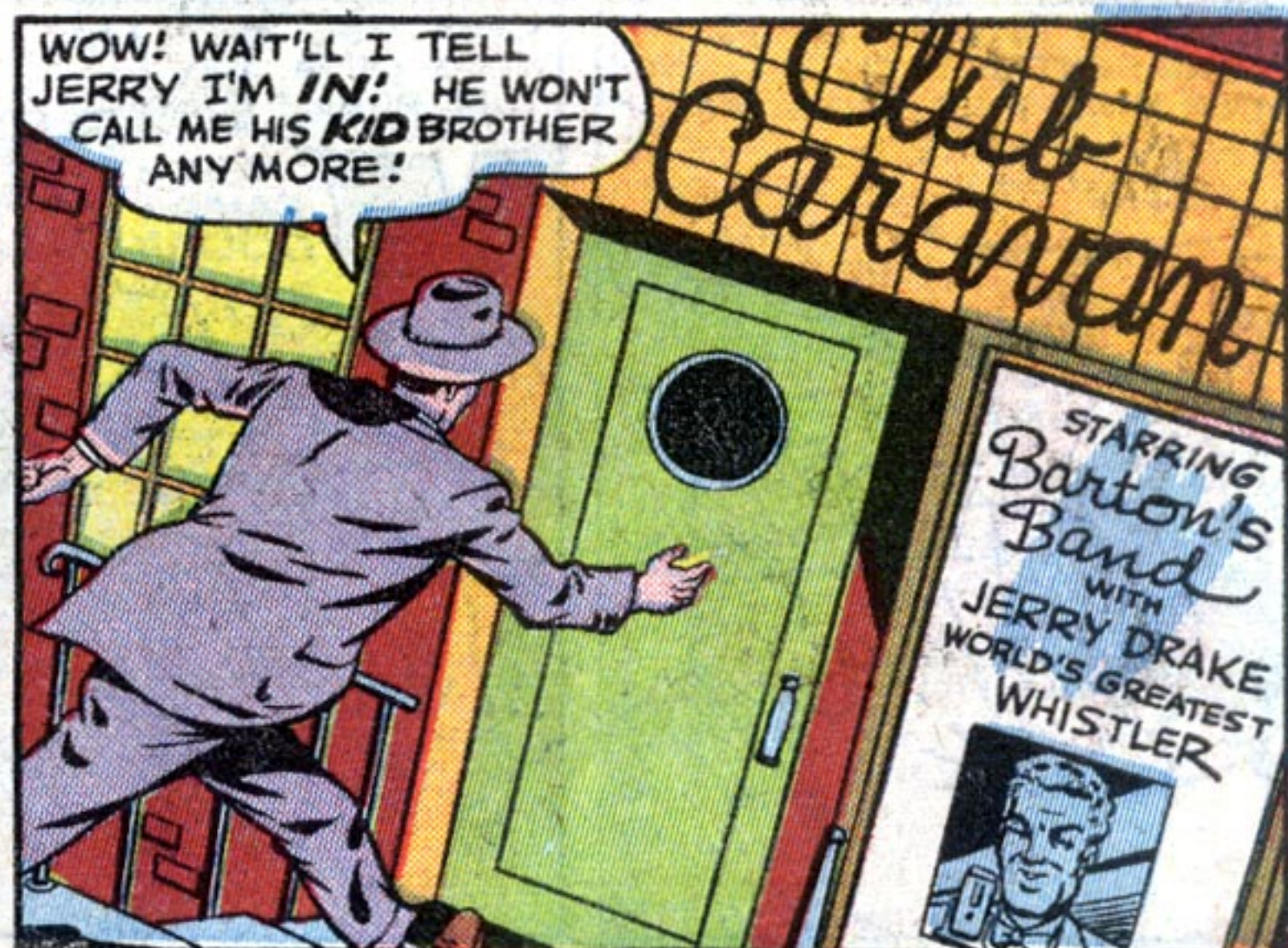
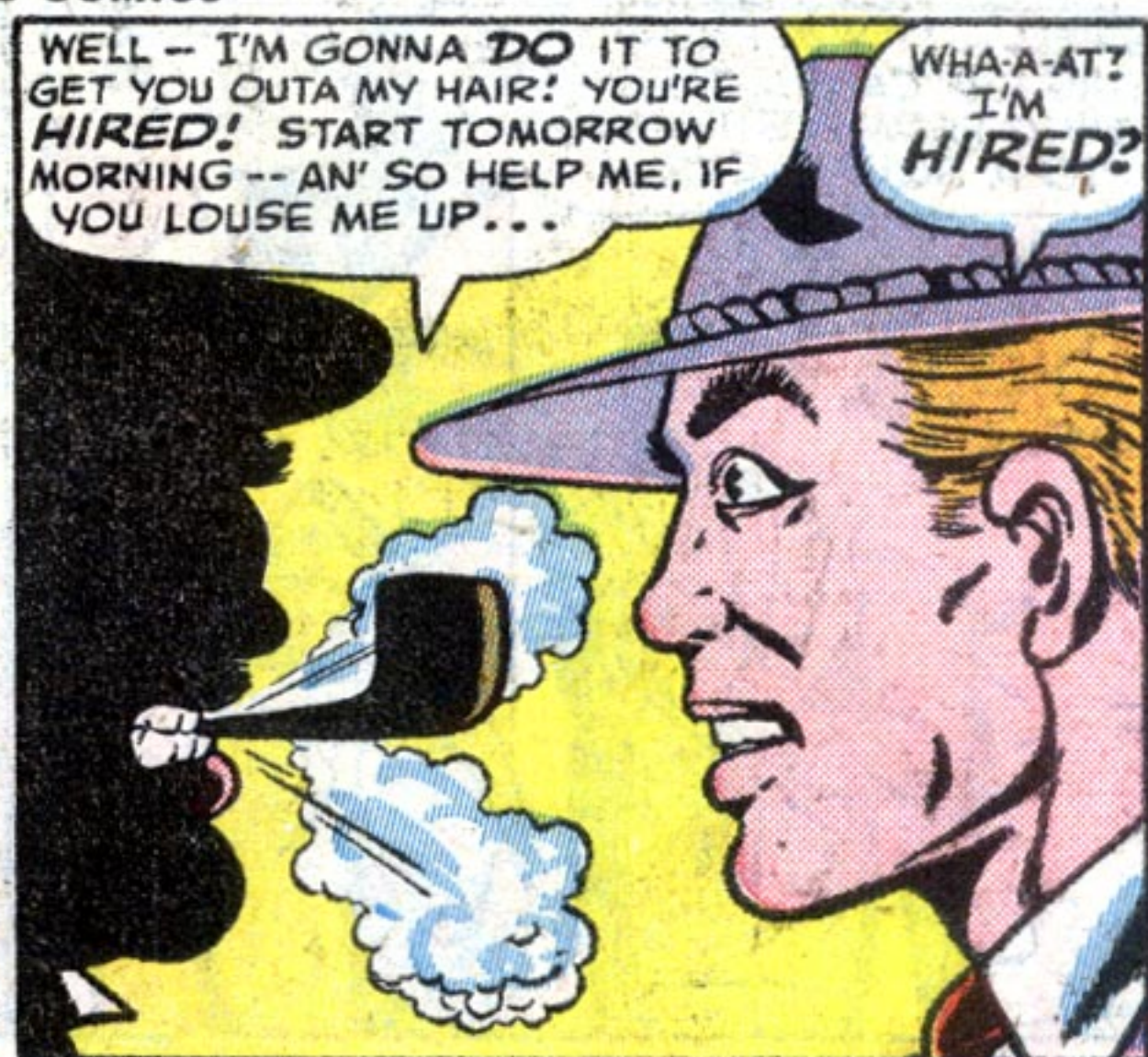
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AWRIGHT, SEND
HIM IN!

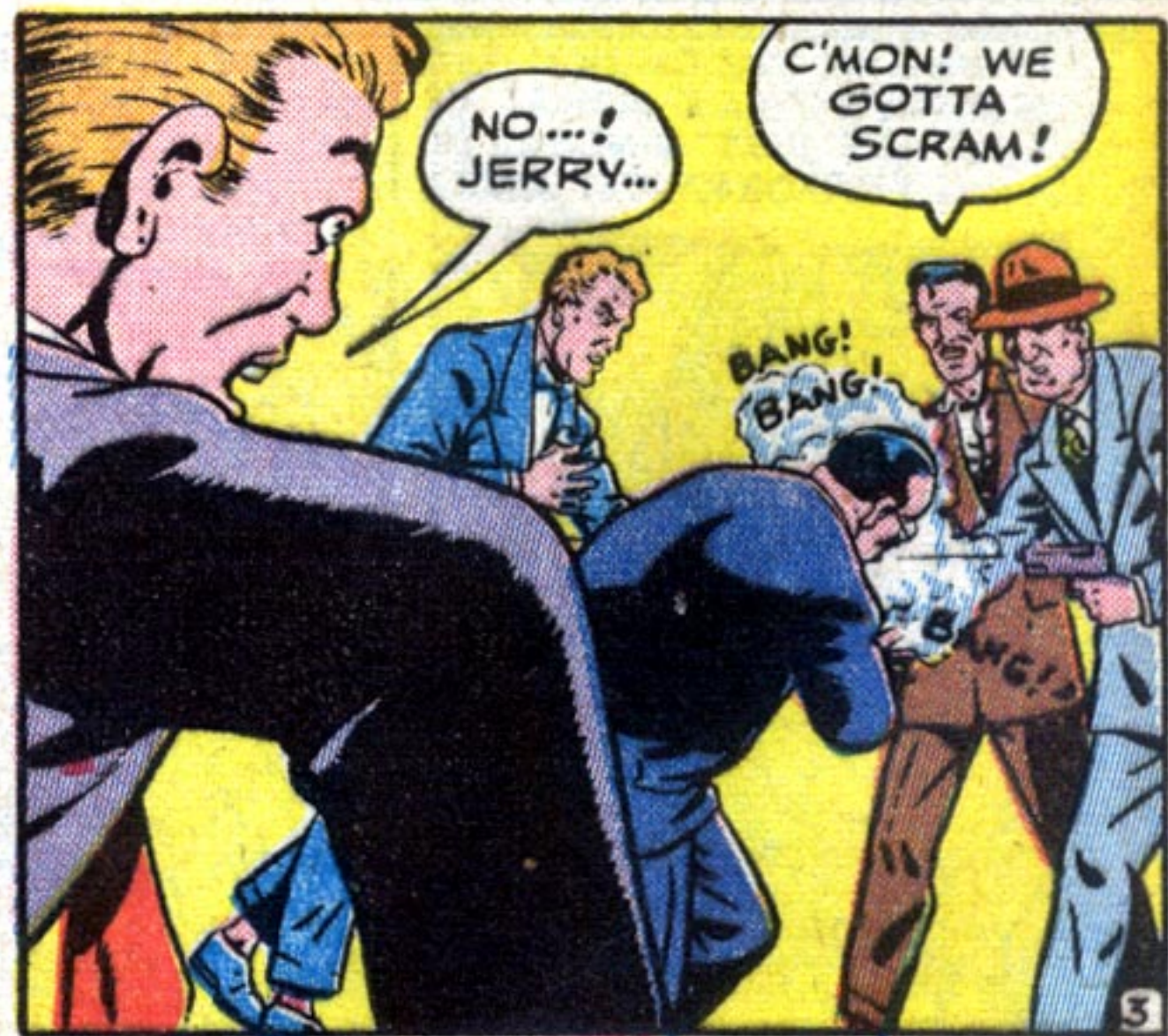
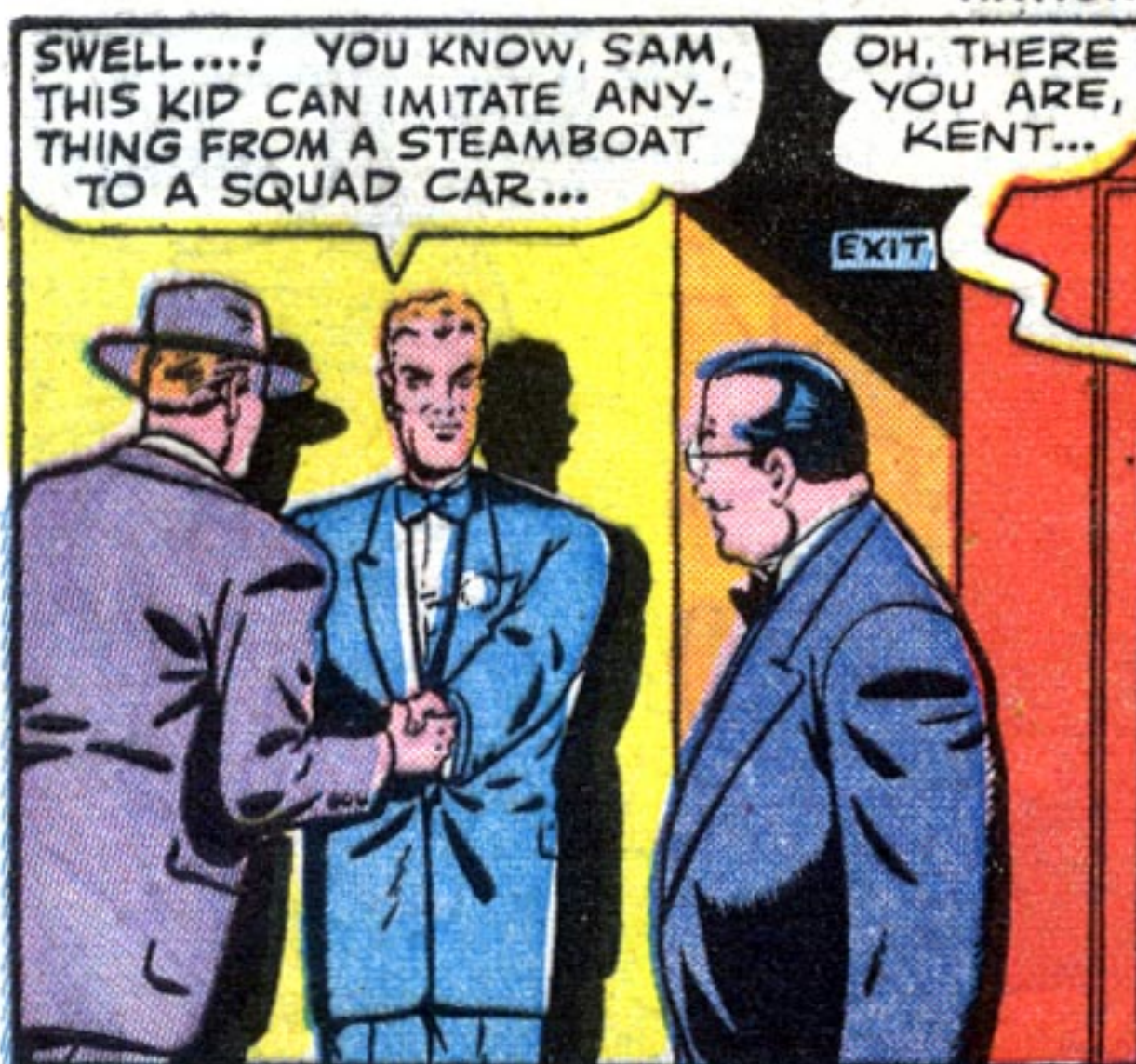
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JUST THOUGHT
I'D ---

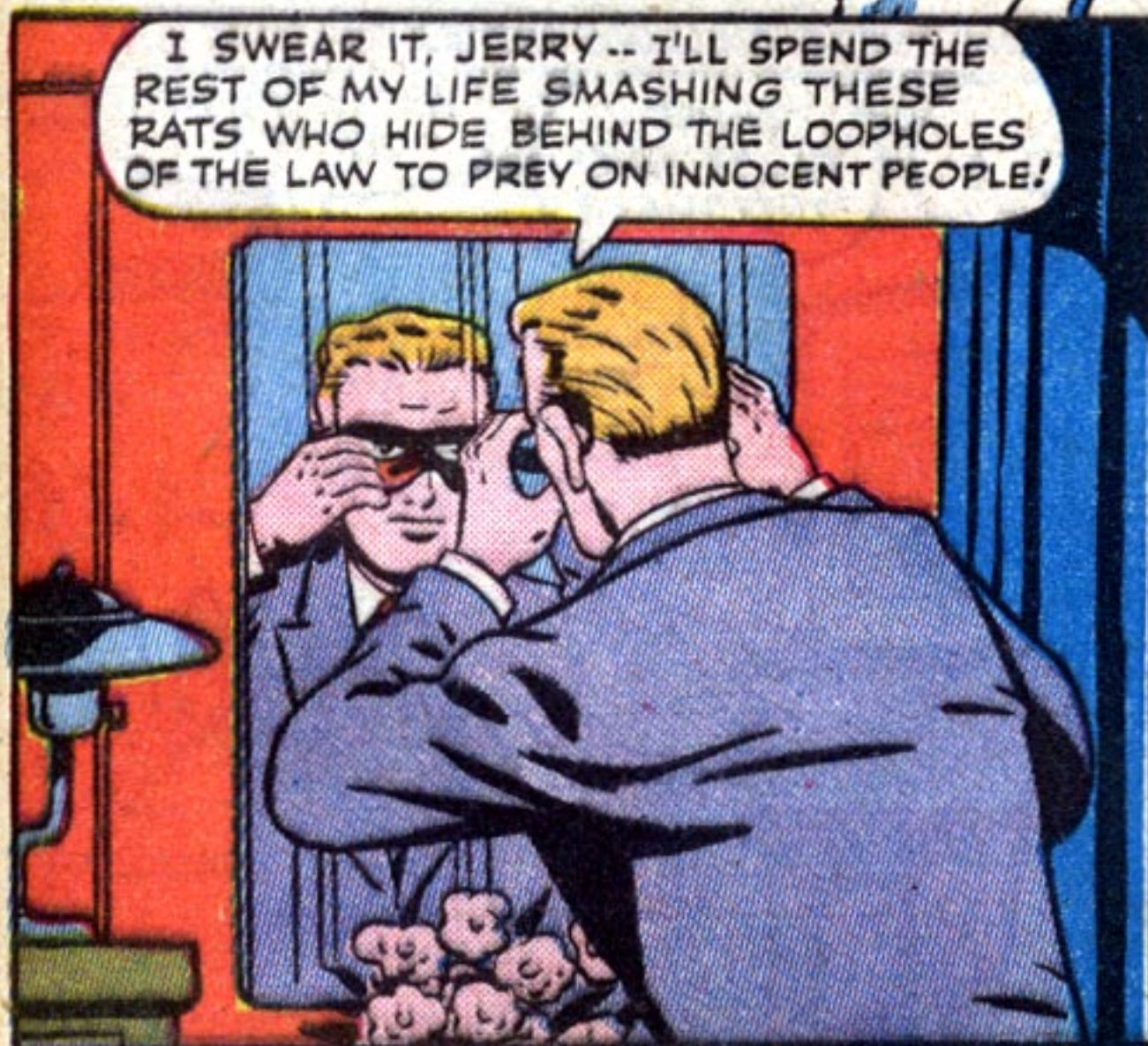
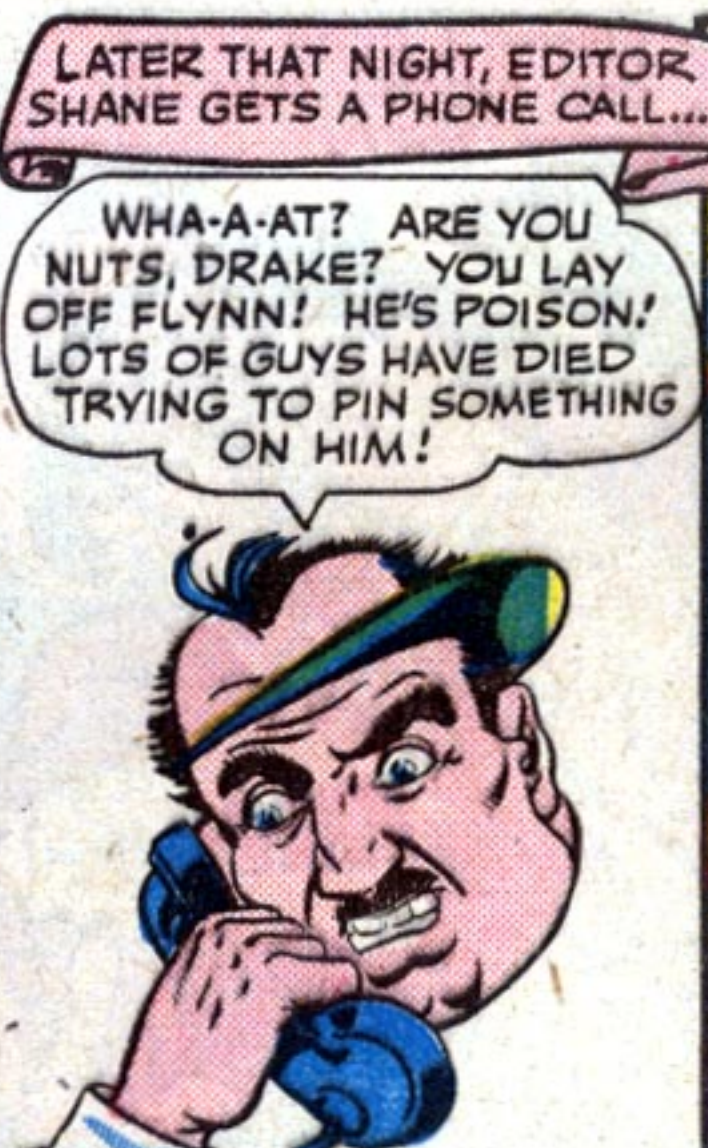
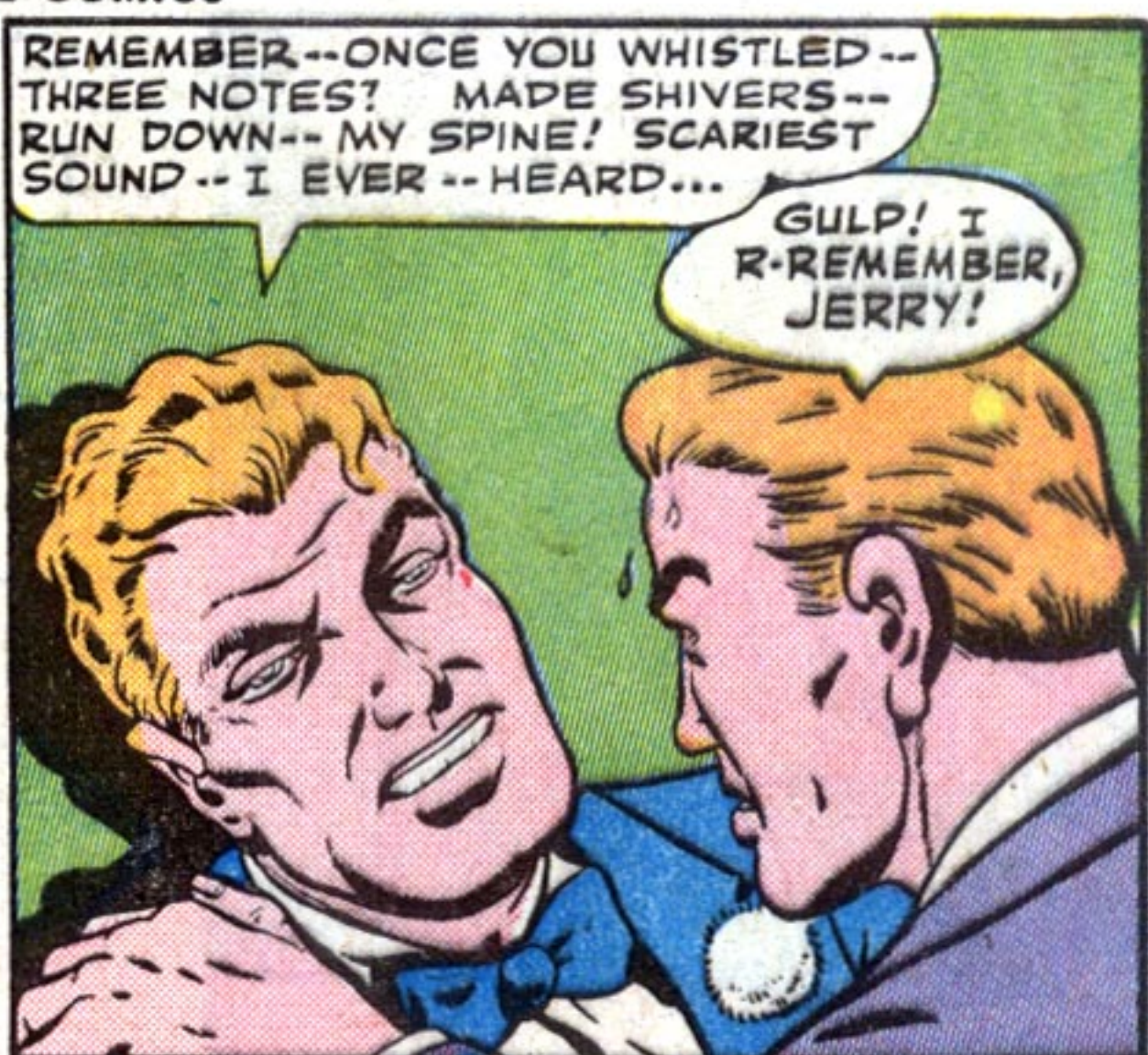
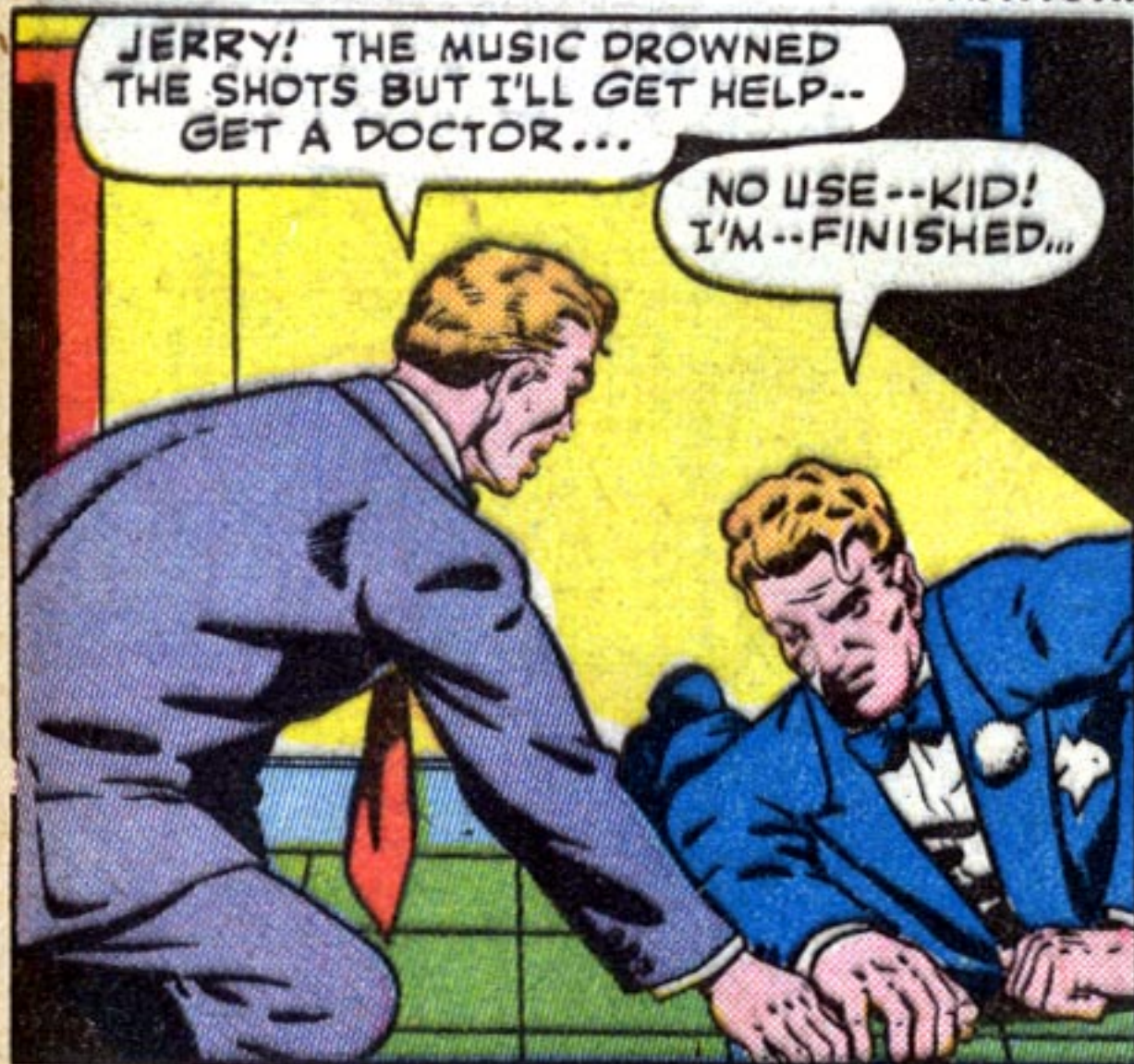
YEAH... I
KNOW WHAT
YOU JUST
THOUGHT!

TWENTY TIMES A DAY I HEAR
IT! YOU THOUGHT YOU'D SEE
IF THERE WAS AN OPENING
YET FOR A POLICE REPORTER!

WELL, I KNOW I
COULD MAKE GOOD
IF YOU'D GIVE ME
A CHANCE...

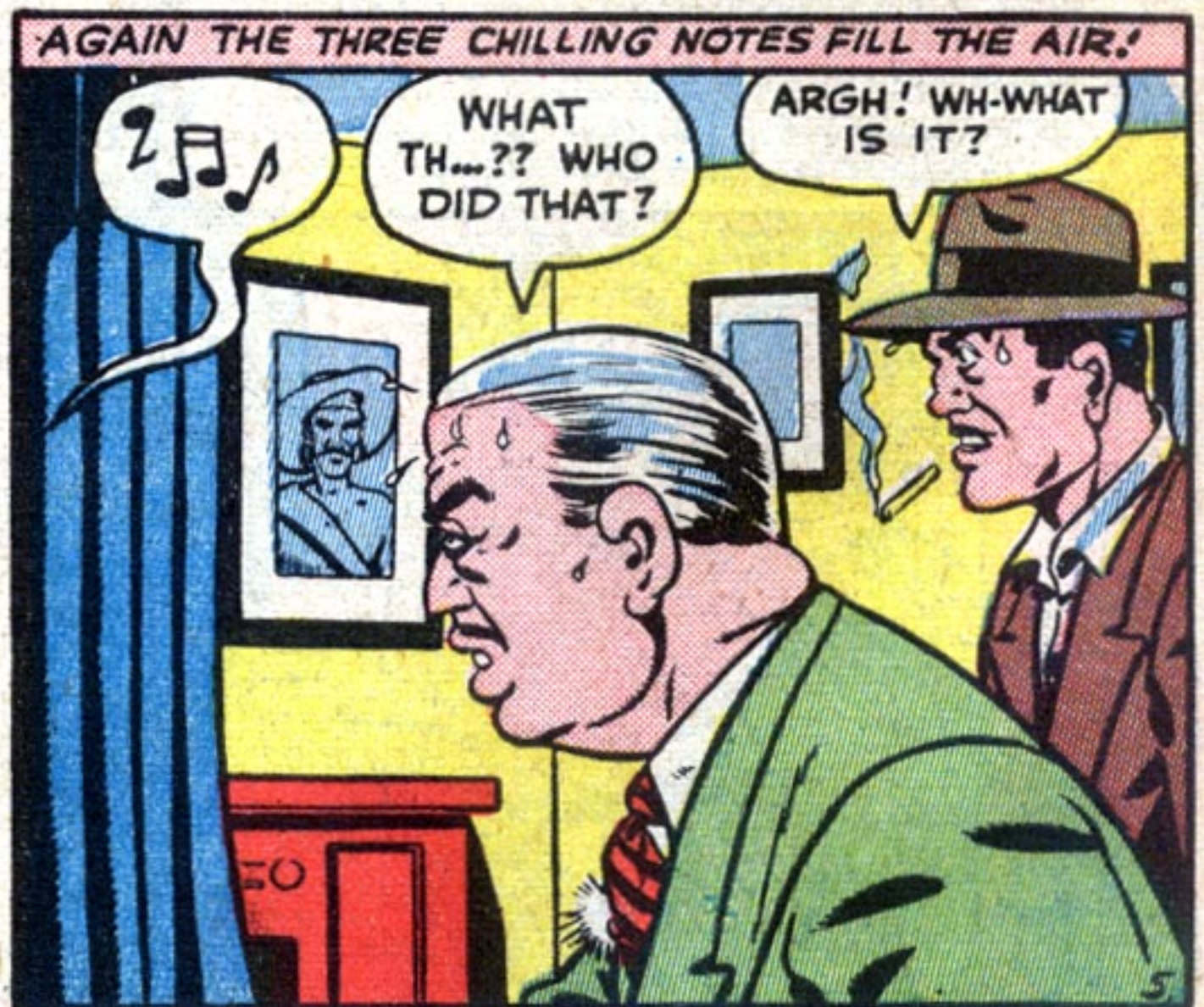


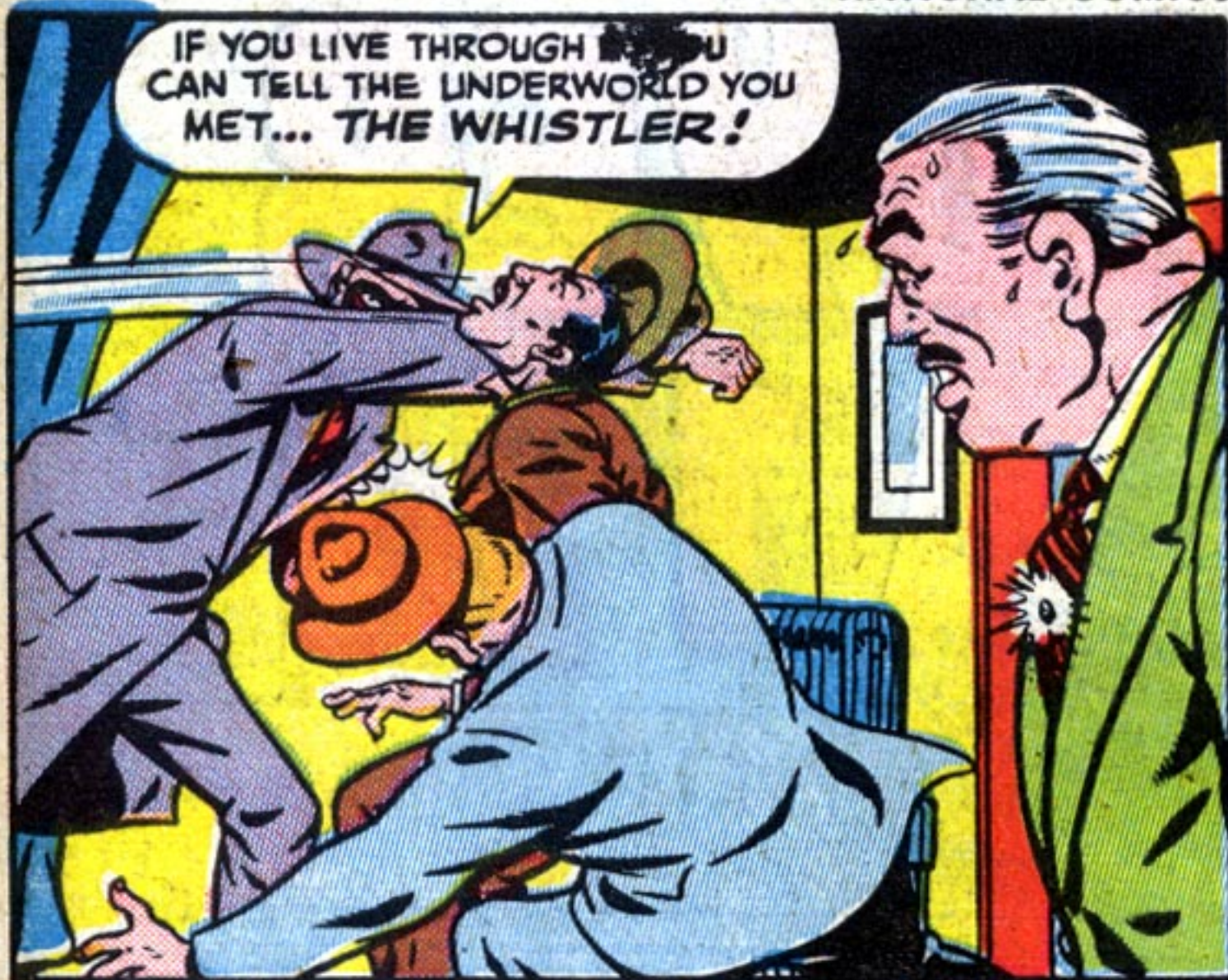






A short time later, at 810 Logan Place





IF YOU LIVE THROUGH ~~THE~~ YOU CAN TELL THE UNDERWORLD YOU MET... THE WHISTLER!



WHOEVER YOU ARE, I'LL STOP YOUR CLOCK!



THE ONLY THING YOU'LL STOP IS A 50,000-VOLT JOLT IN A COPPER CHAIR!



BLAST YOU, YOU CAN'T PIN THAT KILL ON ME! I WASN'T THERE! I'LL SWEAR THEY DID IT ON THEIR OWN!

AND TO SAVE THEIR HIDES, YOUR RATS WILL SWEAR YOU ORDERED IT! THIS IS YOUR FINISH, FLYNN!



A LITTLE LATER...

CAN YUH BEAT IT? WE NAIL FLYNN AND HIS HOODS WITH THE ROD THAT DID THE KILLING--AND THE GUY WHO CALLED US WON'T TALK!

BRRR! ALL HE DID WAS WHISTLE THREE NOTES AND I'M SHIVERIN' YET!



NEXT DAY...

YOU DID A SWELL JOB GETTING THE FLYNN STORY, DRAKE--BUT WHAT'S THIS MALARKEY ABOUT A WHISTLER? FIGHTIN' CRIMINALS BY WHISTLING AT 'EM! GAH!



IF YOU WANNA LAST ON THIS PAPER, CUT OUT THE CRAZY FAIRY-TALES AND GET NEWS-FACTS! UNDERSTAND? NO MORE WHISTLERS!

OKAY, BOSS! BUT I HAVE A FEELING YOU'RE GONNA EAT THOSE WORDS SOME OF THESE DAYS!

DESTROYER 171

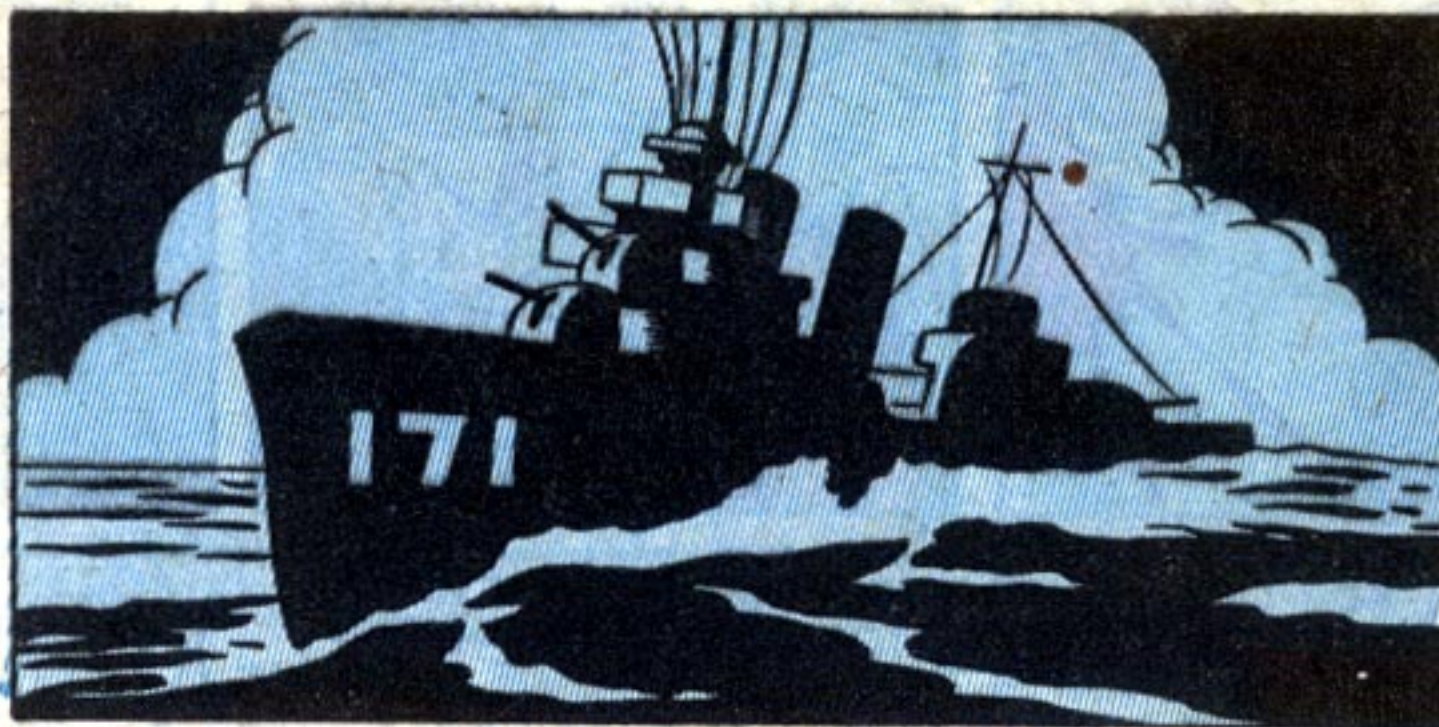
JAMES McNewell Whilsey was an accredited war correspondent, grim companion of fighting men in the stirring re-conquest of GUAM and points east! An assignment aboard Destroyer 171 was too tame for his talents ... until torment broke loose in a raging typhoon -- and the U.S.S. PAWNEE tangled with a ghost ship of the Pacific!

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U.S.S. PAWNEE SINKS JAP CRUISER!

Mystery Ship Meets Doom
At Famous Destroyer 171's Guns!

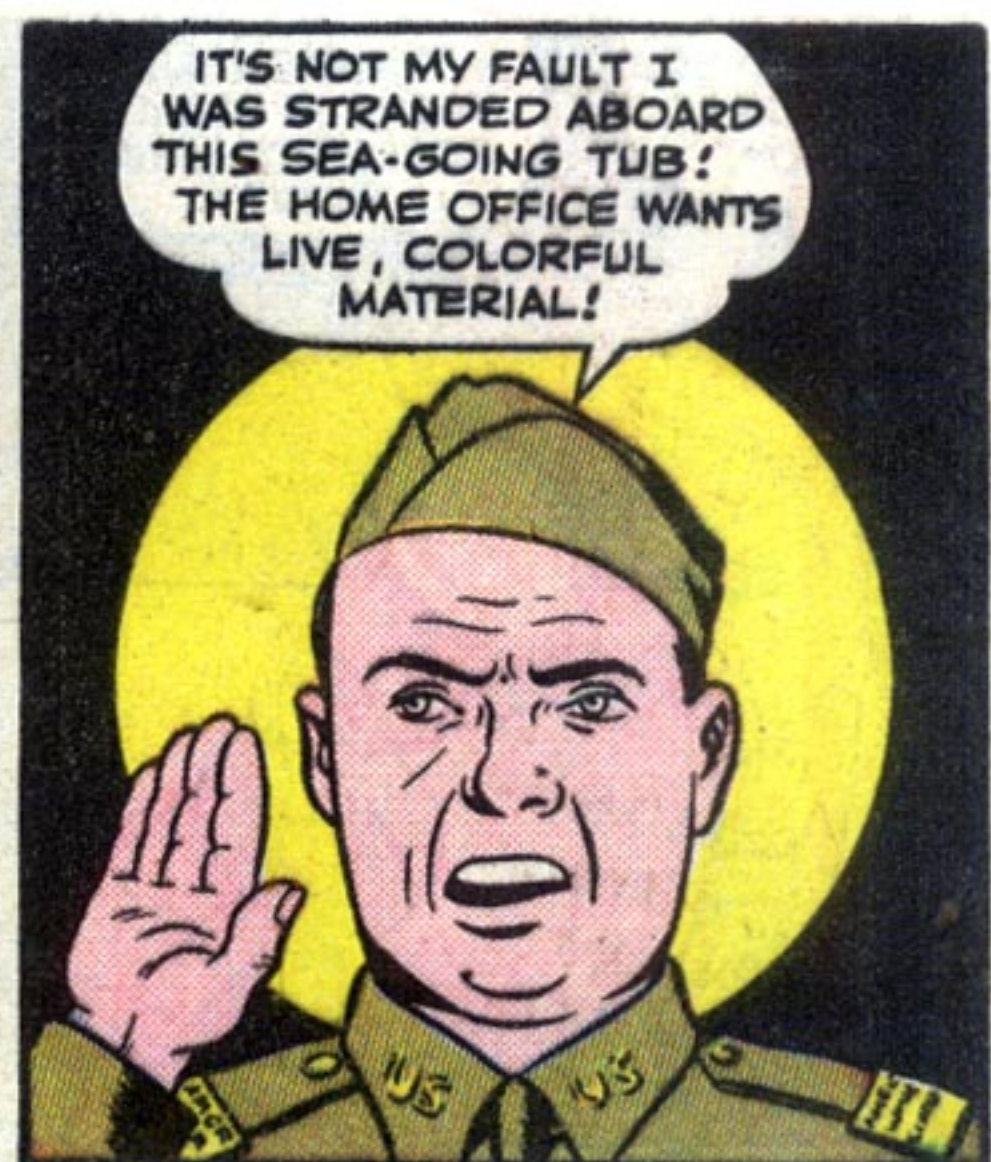


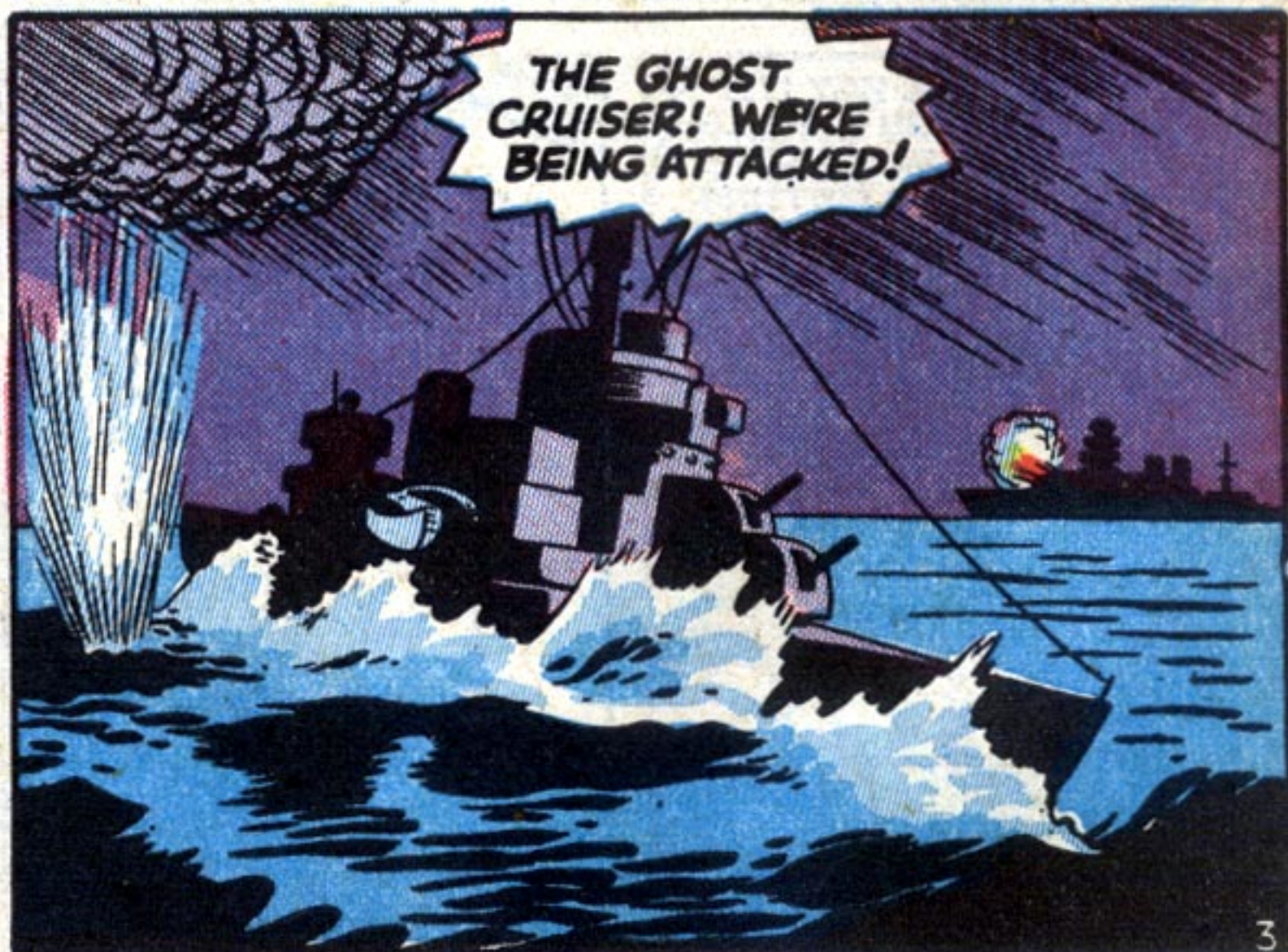
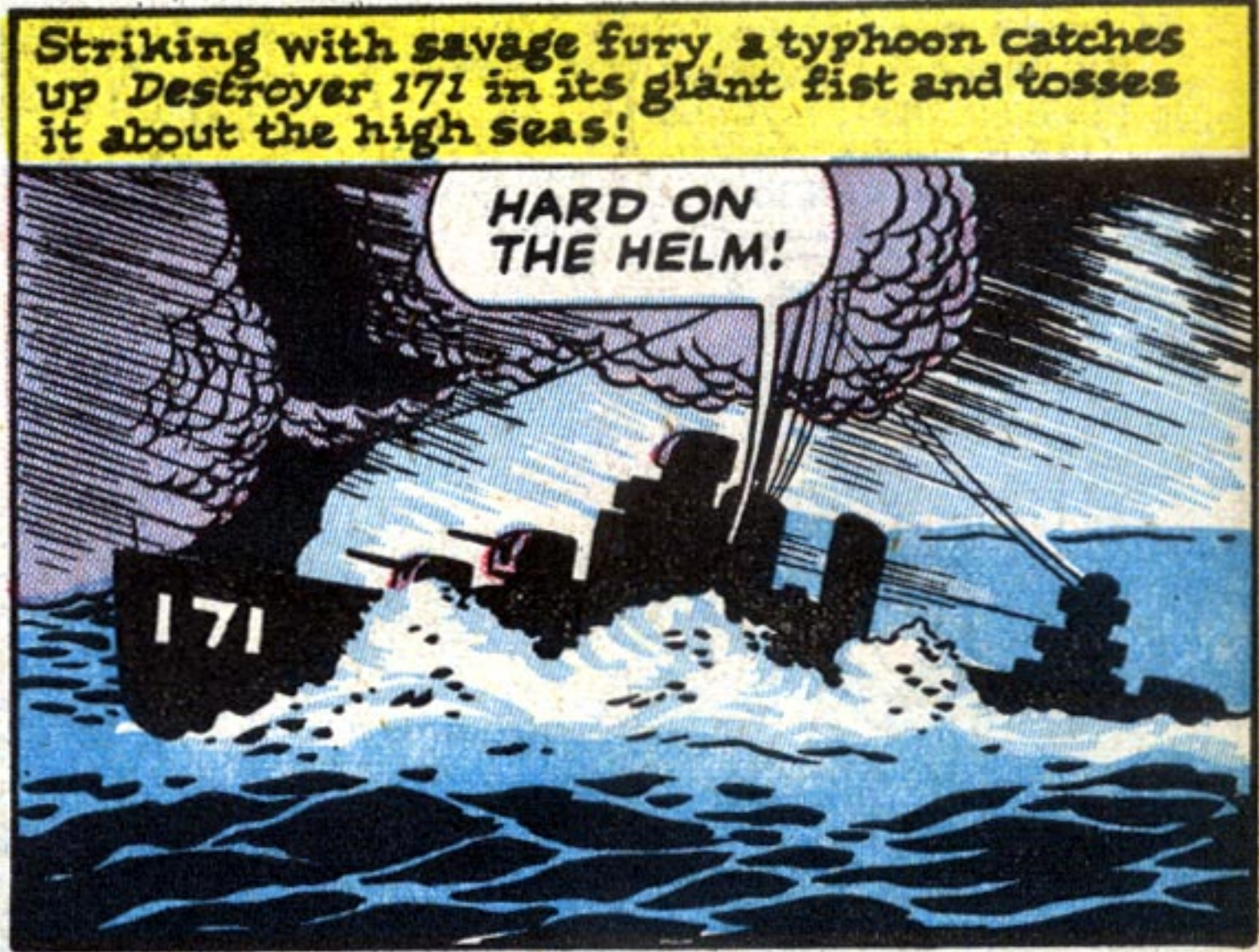
Aboard the U.S.S. PAWNEE... Destroyer 171...
cruising off the South China coast ---

YOU WANTED TO
SEE ME, COMMANDER
BLAKE?

I DID, MR. WHILSEY!
SPARKS GAVE ME A
TRANSCRIPT OF THE
LAST STORY YOU
WIRED HOME!







A crashing six-inch shell rocks
Destroyer 171 from stem to stern!



WHAT DO YOU
MAKE OF HER,
SIR?

A HEAVYWEIGHT!
AMERICAN, BY
THE LOOK OF
HER!



AMERICAN!
THERE MUST
BE SOME
MISTAKE!

I'M AFRAID NOT!
THIS EXPLAINS A
LOT ABOUT THE
GHOST CRUISER!



NO MERCHANT SHIP
WOULD SUSPECT AN
AMERICAN CRUISER!
SHE COULD SINK OUR
SHIPPING AT WILL!
AND OUR PATROLS
WOULDN'T SPOT HER!

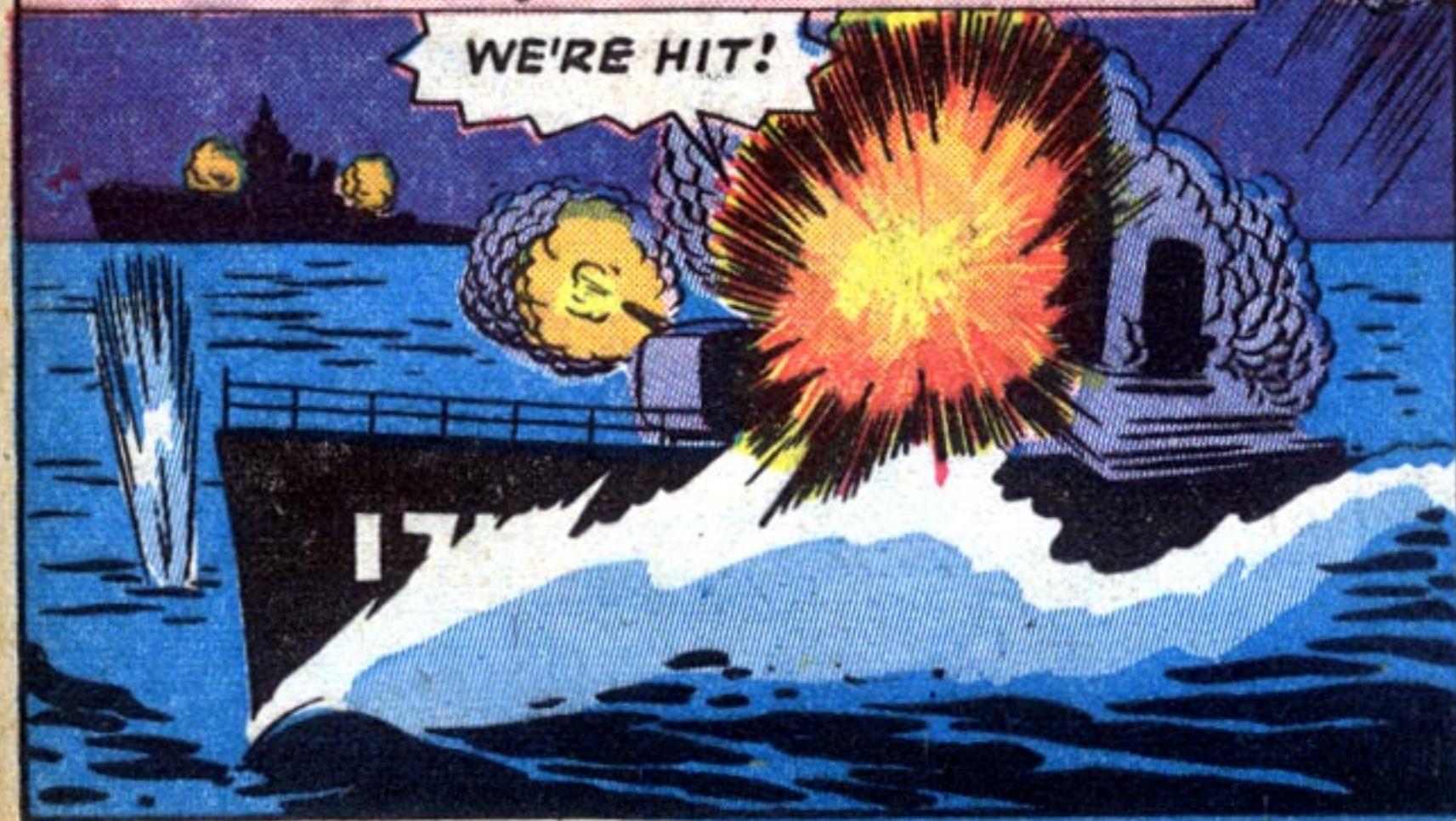


COMMENCE
FIRING!



Through a raging tempest of wind and water,
Destroyer 171 and the mysterious cruiser fire
at point blank range --

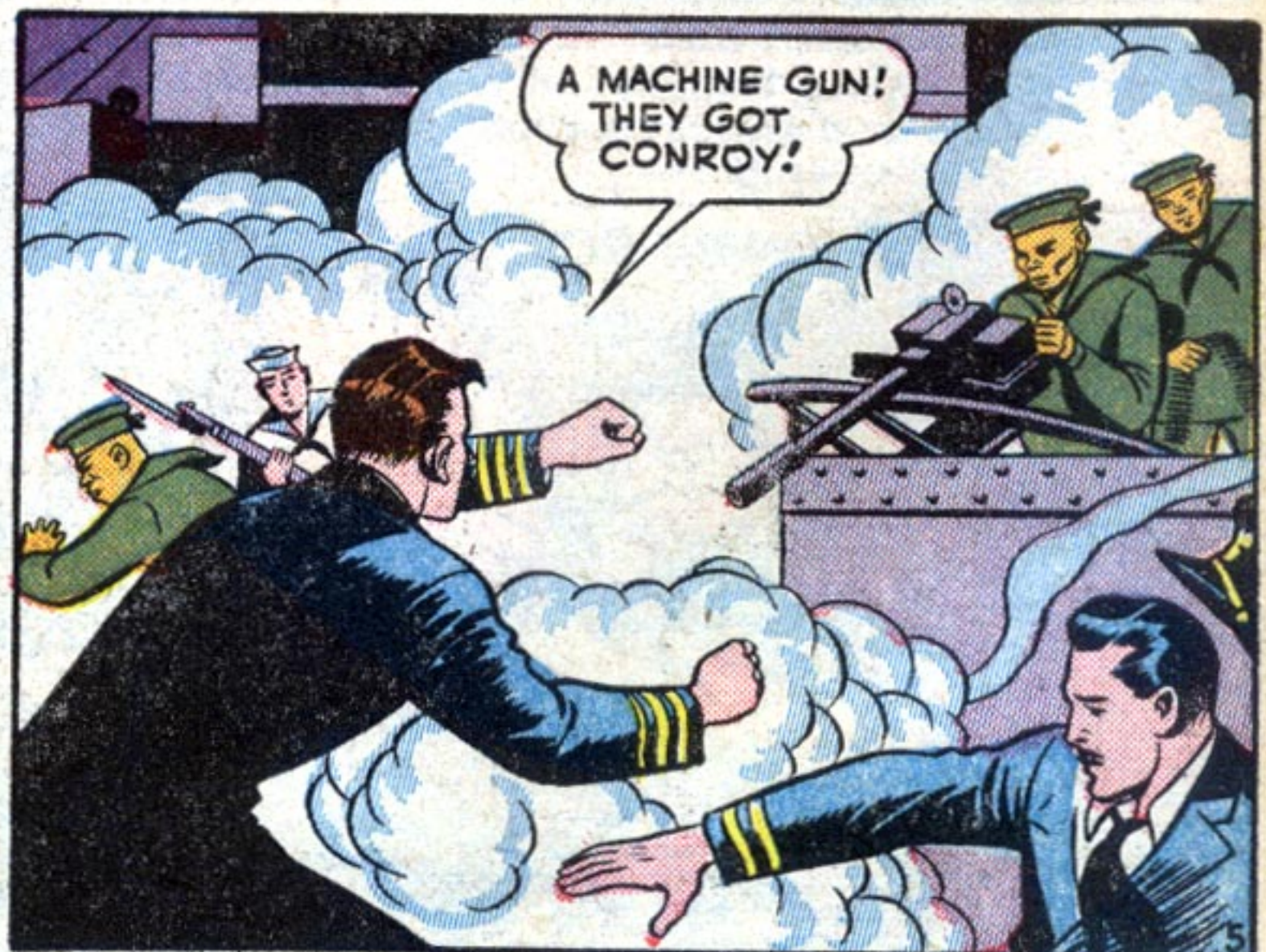
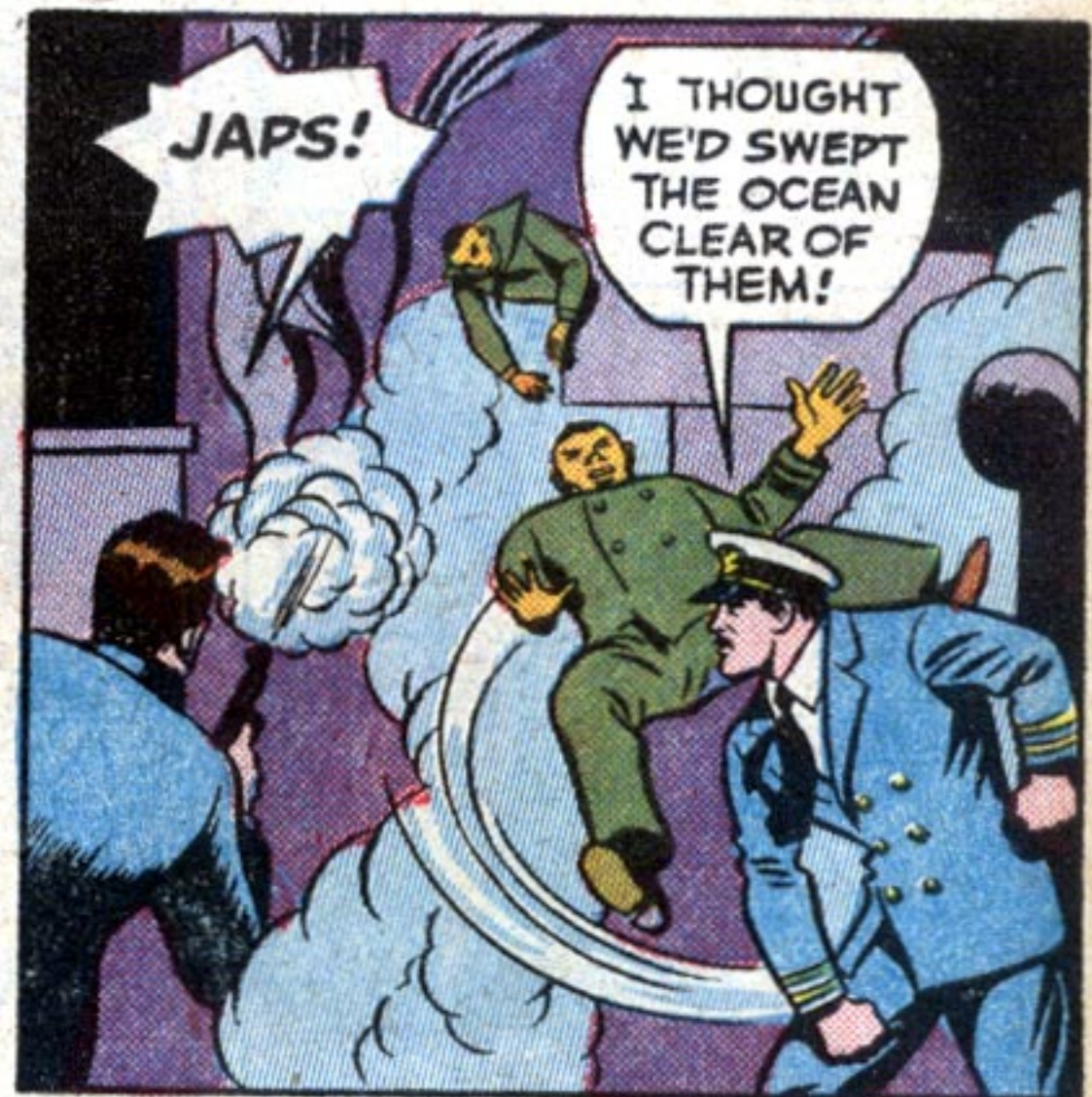
WE'RE HIT!



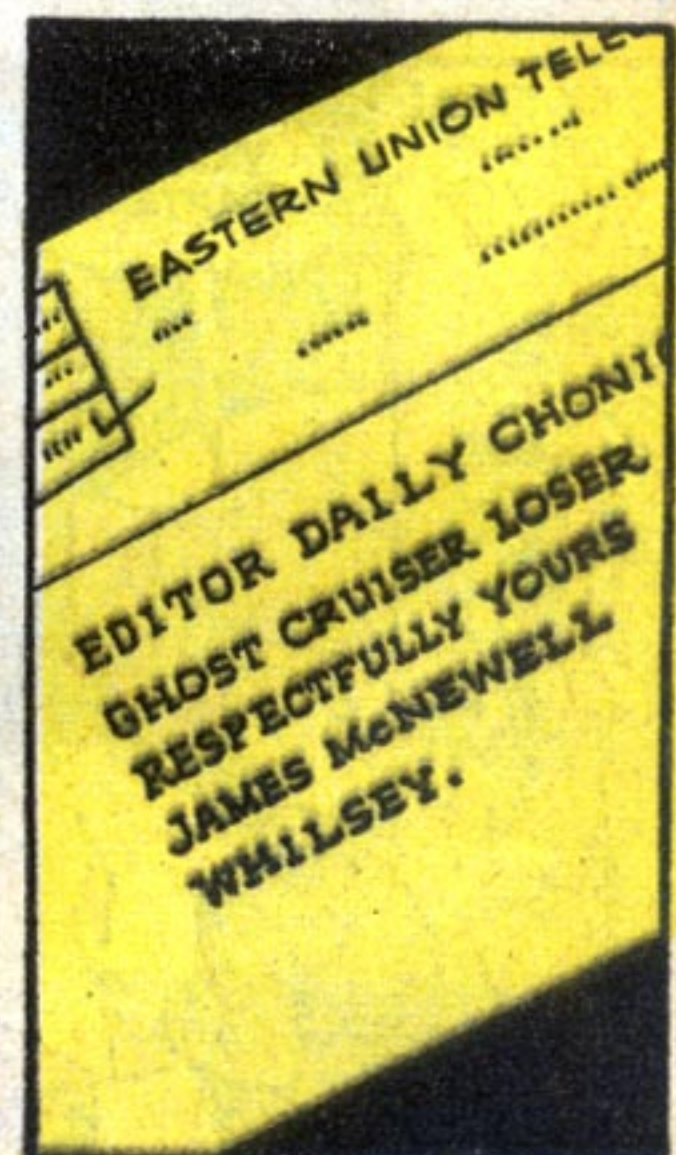
WE CAN'T MANEUVER! THEY'VE
KNOCKED OUT OUR STARBOARD
GUNS! SHALL WE PICK UP
OUR MARBLES AND RUN?

NOT BY A ~~@@@%~~
SIGHT! I'LL GIVE
WHILSEY A STORY HIS
HOME OFFICE WON'T
SOON FORGET!









HOW A 97-Lb. WEAKLING

Became the WORLD'S MOST PERFECTLY DEVELOPED MAN

The
inspiring
story of
**CHARLES
ATLAS**



I Can Make You A New Man, Too, In Only 15 Minutes A Day!

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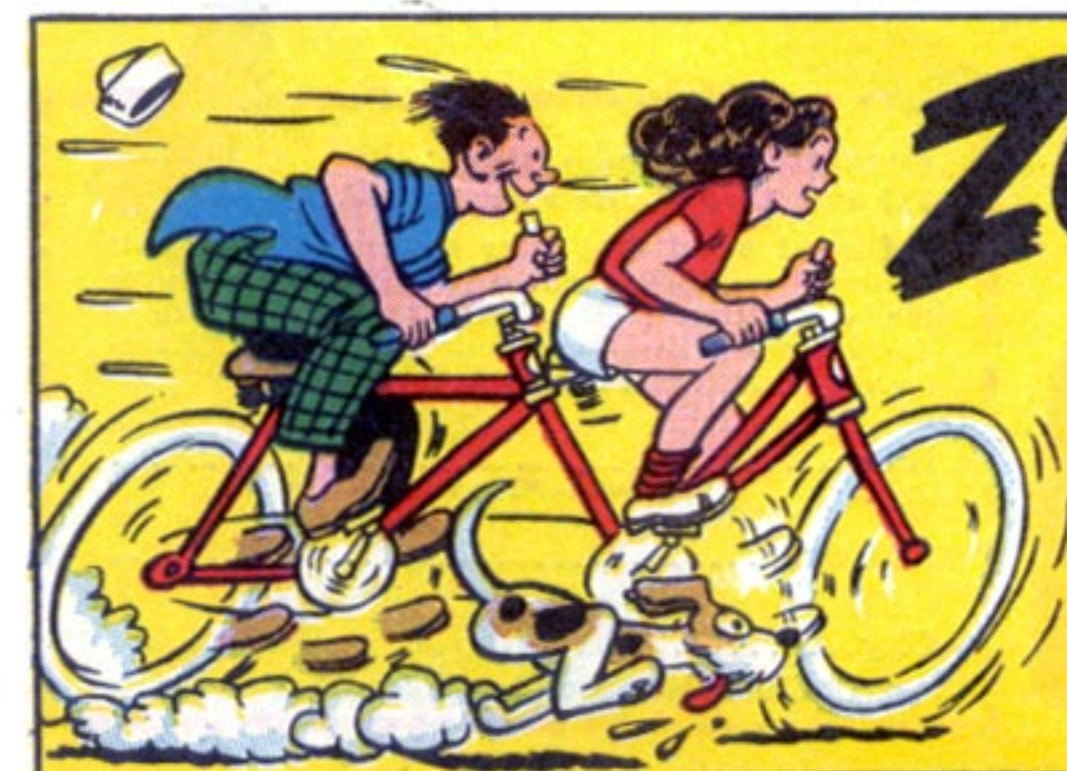
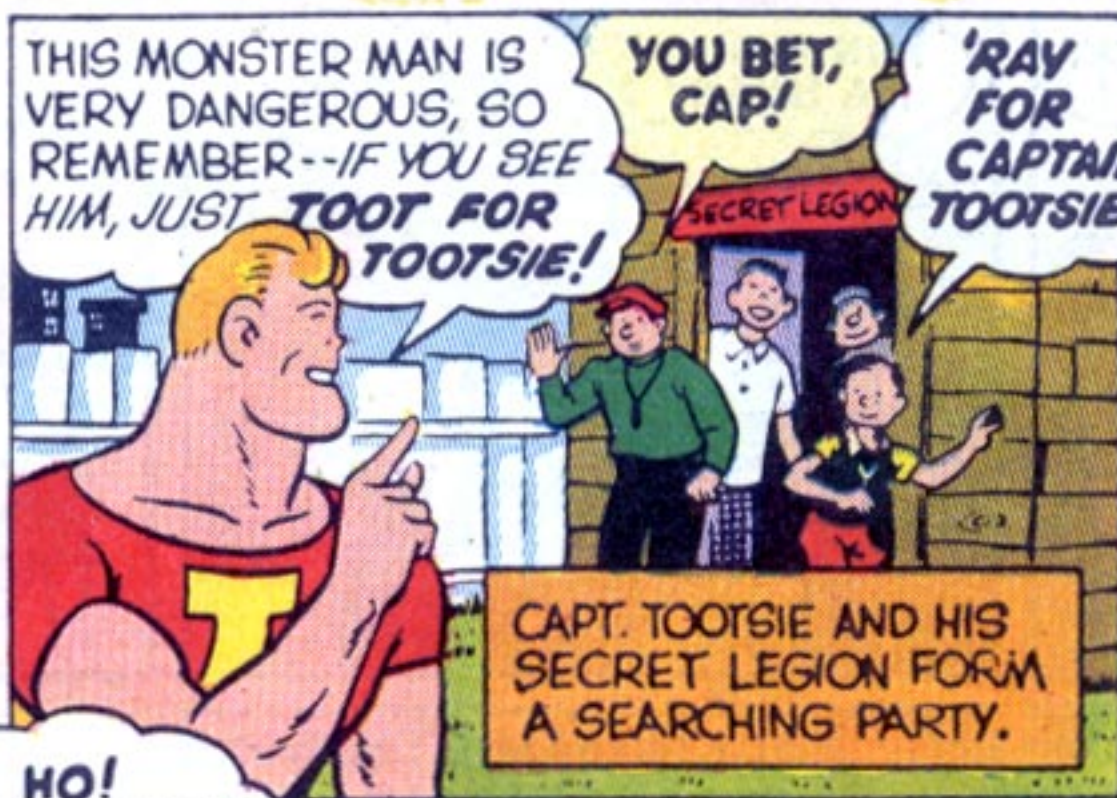
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